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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, Was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

DATE: January 15, 1958

*NR* Rerep of SA [redacted] at Omaha, dated 1/10/58, and SAC Letter Number 57-70 dated 12/13/57, entitled, "Criminal Informant Coverage--Top Hoodlum Program."

Confidential Informant [redacted] FARRELL and with many of his associates. Because of this acquaintance and Informant's [redacted] in Omaha and surrounding areas, he is in a position and is willing to furnish information concerning FARRELL.

During the continuing investigation of FARRELL, efforts will be made to develop additional informant coverage.

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Reporting Office <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>JAN 28 1958</b>	Investigative Period <b>1/17,20/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, was. Cockeyed Louis, Louis Farato, Louis Thomas Fratto Farrell, Lew Farrelli, Louis Fratto, Louis Thomas Fratto, Luigi Thomas Fratto, Luigi Fratto (TN), Luigi Tomasco Giuseppe Fratto</b>		Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div>	Typed By: <b>aj</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

**Synopsis:**

Subject arrested 8/13/39 by Racine, Wis. SO as material witness. FARRELL arrested with FRANK NITTO who was charged with traffic violation and attempting to bribe officer. Both posted bonds and released.

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**DETAILS:**

The following investigation was conducted by SA  on January 17, 1958.

At Racine, Wisconsin

The files of the Racine County Sheriff's Office contain arrest record No. 2597 which disclosed that LEW FARRELL, age 24, white, born Milwaukee (Wisconsin), black hair, brown eyes, was arrested on August 13, 1939, as a material witness. FARRELL listed his occupation as a promoter, his father as JOHN FARRELL of Boston, Massachusetts, and his address as the Chamberlain Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.

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Deputy Undersheriff [ ] of the Racine County Sheriff's Office advised that the record indicated that FARRELL was arrested with FRANK NITTO, a former Chicago hoodlum, who has been deceased since March 19, 1943. NITTO was charged with a traffic violation and attempting to bribe an officer, and FARRELL was held as a material witness to the above charges. NITTO posted bond at \$210 and FARRELL posted bond of \$50 and both were released. The record disclosed no additional pertinent information.

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REFERENCES

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TO : Mr. Rosen *FR*

DATE: FEB 4 1958

FROM : F. L. Price *FLP*SUBJECT: *①* LEW FARRELL  
with aliases  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
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Reference is made to the report of SA   
 dated 1/10/58 at Omaha.

Subject was born 7/17/07 at Chicago, Illinois, as Luigi Fratto, and has an extensive arrest record in Chicago for relatively minor offenses. He moved to Des Moines, Iowa, as Lew Farrell in 1938 or 1939, and has remained there as a resident since that time. His associates have included a former intimate acquaintance of Al Capone, various Teamster Union officials including James Hoffa, various hoodlums from Kansas City, Des Moines, and Omaha; and various former and present members of the Des Moines Police Department. Subject testified before the Senate Crime Committee in Washington, D. C., in 1951, and also testified before the Senate committee investigating the Federal Housing Administration in 1954. He has conducted extensive gambling operations of various kinds in Des Moines, and has attempted the same in Omaha. He allegedly conspired, in 1956, with Teamster Union officials to prevent legitimate union dealings between companies and unions; but investigation in 1957 failed to substantiate specific allegations of federal violation. Subject has been a distributor for two beer companies, and also associated with various siding companies in Des Moines and Omaha from 1953 to 1955. He is currently the proprietor of a drive-in restaurant. He is alleged to have displayed a revolver and made threats in an effort to collect money in 1942, and is therefore considered armed and dangerous.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>OMAHA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>OMAHA</b>	DATE <b>1/10/58</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>12/17-20, 31/57; 1/3/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, Was. Cockeyed Louis, Louis Fratto, Louis Thomas Fratto Farrell, Lew Farrelli, Louis Fratto, Louis Thomas Fratto, Luigi Thomas Fratto, Luigi Fratto (TN), Luigi Tomaso Giuseppe Fratto</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>[Redacted]</b>	TYPED BY <b>aaf</b>
SYNOPSIS:		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b> <i>cockeyed Louis Farrell</i>	

Subject, FBI 1194703, born 7/17/07, Chicago, Ill., as LUIGI FRATTO, compiled arrest record in Chicago dating from 1929 to 1936 for minor violations. Moved to Des Moines, Ia., as LEW FARRELL about 1938 or 1939 and has remained Des Moines resident to date. Associates have included an admitted former intimate acquaintance of AL CAPONE; Des Moines, Kansas City, Mo., and Omaha, Nebr., hoodlums; various Teamsters Union officials including JAMES HOFFA, President, and various former and present members of Des Moines, Iowa, PD. Subject testified before U. S. Senate investigating committees in 1951 and 1954. Available information indicates subject was financially backing gambling operations in Des Moines as early as 1942 and continued participation in gambling operations in Des Moines through 1940's; in 1957 information received subject attempting to start operating several gambling places in Des Moines; information received in 1952 that subject attempting to move in on bookmaking operations in Omaha; in 1941 assisted in bail release operation to release Kansas City hoodlums held in Iowa on armed robbery charges; alleged to have assisted in 1951 in escape efforts of KENNETH KITTS, who had

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been held on bank burglary charges; alleged to have conspired in Des Moines with Teamster Union officials in 1956 to prevent legitimate union dealings between companies and unions, further that payments had been made by employers involved. Investigation in 1957 failed to substantiate specific allegation of Federal violation but disclosed subject has made claims to be able to assist employers in union matters, has personal acquaintances among prominent Teamsters officials, further that subject's participation in union matters, Des Moines, dates back to at least 1951. FARRELL was representative and then distributor of Canadian Ace Beer from arrival Des Moines to 5/50; distributor of Blatz beer 5/50 to 5/51. Claims unemployed 1950 to 1953. From about 1953 to 1955 associated with various siding companies, Des Moines and Omaha; placed on FHA precautionary list 2/55; claims current business as drive-in restaurant proprietor. Description set forth. ALIEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942, THEREFORE CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

It should be noted that subject has used the name LEW FARRELL since his arrival in Des Moines, Iowa, in 1938 or 1939 and will be referred to by that name throughout this report.

Unless otherwise stated the information set forth in the body of this report was obtained from a review on December 17 and 18, 1957, of the news clippings maintained in the library of the Des Moines Register and Des Moines Tribune, of news articles which originally appeared in the pages of those newspapers. The aforementioned newspapers are daily newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa, by the same publisher and have common office space.

It should be noted at this time that the newspaper articles referred to disclose that the subject, as LEW FARRELL,

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testified before the Senate Crime Committee, Chairman Senator ESTES DEFAUVER, in Washington, D. C., on March 24, 1951, which testimony was nationally televised. The news clippings further reveal that FARRELL testified before the Federal Housing Administration Investigative Committee of the United States Senate in a closed hearing in Washington, D. C., in August, 1954, and in Chicago, Illinois, in an open hearing in September, 1954. Subject's appearance before these committees resulted in considerable publicity in the Des Moines newspapers and the printing of partial transcripts of the testimony relative to FARRELL, which was heard before these committees. By this means, considerable, but fragmentary background information was set forth in the question and answer form of the transcripts. Thus, reference was frequently made to individuals and incidents occurring over a long period of years without additional information being available at this time.

For the purpose of chronological presentation of the material obtained from a review of these news clippings, the information found therein has been summarized and set forth in the report without reference to the particular issue or newspaper in which the information first appeared unless such data appears to be particularly pertinent.

(A) PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND:

(1) DATE OF BIRTH:

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-1, another Government agency, reviewed January 3, 1958, by SA EARL H. WILLIAMS disclosed subject on July 13, 1955, advised he was born LUIGI FRATTO at Chicago, Illinois, July 17, 1907, the son of TOMASO FRATTO and BIANCA FAIELLA, born in Italy. He advised he was baptized at the Holy Guardian Angel Church, Chicago, Illinois.

Records of T-1 further include a certificate of baptism executed August 18, 1955, by the pastor of the Holy Guardian Angel Church, 717 West Arlington Street, Chicago, Illinois, which discloses the baptism on May 28, 1908, of LUIGI FRATTO, child of TOMMASO FRATTO and BIANCA FAIELLA,

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born in Chicago, Illinois, on July 17, 1907.

In testimony before United States Senate Committees, referred to elsewhere in this report, subject has testified he was born in Chicago, Illinois, as LUIGI TOMASO GIUSEPPI FRATTO.

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(2) EDUCATION:

Unknown.

(3) EMPLOYMENT:

Newspaper articles of the Des Moines Register and Des Moines Tribune, referred to previously, disclose that the subject, as LEW FARRELL, came to Des Moines, Iowa, from Chicago, Illinois, in about 1938 or 1939 as a representative for the Canadian Ace Beer. This brewery identified as located in Chicago, Illinois, and as owned by ALEXANDER GREENBERG, an admitted intimate acquaintance of AL CAPONE, JACK "GREASY THUMB" GUZIK, LOUIE CAMPAGNA, CHARLES FISCHETTI, and FRANK NITTI, all characterized by the Senate Crime Committee of 1951 as members of the Capone mob. The brewery was further identified as the former Manhattan brewery, previously owned by AL CAPONE.

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In testimony September, 1954, before the Senate committee investigating Federal Housing Administration (FHA) matters, FARRELL testified he had been last employed as an office manager by Universal Builders, located at Southwest Seventh and Indianola Road, Des Moines, Iowa. However, testimony before the same committee in August, 1954, by FARRELL indicated his last employment had been with [redacted] of the Complete Home Remodeling, Southwest Seventh and Indianola Road, Des Moines; that he had been with that firm for about one and one-half years and had ceased association with the firm approximately five or six months previously. During this same hearing in August, 1954, FARRELL also testified he had been employed a week prior to his testimony by Universal Builders as office manager in the Des Moines, Iowa, office. FARRELL further testified at this hearing in August, 1954, that he had been unemployed and without income from 1950 to 1953.

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As set forth elsewhere in this report there are indications that FARRELL was probably more than just an employee with these companies and possibly had a financial interest in these companies.

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(4) MARITAL STATUS:

An article appearing in the Des Moines Register, issue of June 16, 1945, reported the marriage on June 9, 1945, of [redacted]

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[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, to LEW FARRELL, son of Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS FERRATO of Chicago.

(5) RESIDENCES:

Files of the Des Moines Register and Tribune indicate subject moved to Des Moines, Iowa, from Chicago, Illinois, in either 1938 or 1939.

Records of the above newspapers and of the Des Moines Credit Bureau on December 18, 1957, disclose FARRELL was residing at the Chamberlin Hotel in 1940, at the Savery Hotel in 1942, and at the Hotel Kirkwood from 1942 to 1946, all located in Des Moines, Iowa.

The same sources as mentioned above indicate subject has resided at 1115 Caulder Street, Des Moines, Iowa, from 1946 to date. Current city directories list LEW FARRELL at 1115 Caulder.

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Observation of the house at this address on January 3, 1958, by SA [redacted] discloses it to be a one story frame house located in a middle class residential district of southwest Des Moines.

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(6) CLOSE RELATIVES:

Review of the newspaper files and credit bureau records, referred to above, disclose FARRELL remains married to the former [redacted] News clippings of the Des Moines Register of August 13, 1954, refers to the birth of subject's fourth child.

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Records of T-1, reviewed January 3, 1958, disclose subject was interviewed July 13, 1955, at which time subject provided family background as follows:

His parents were TOMASO FRATTO and BIANCA FATELLA, both born in Italy and migrated to the United States as minor children with their respective families; they married in Chicago in about 1905. The first child born of this union was subject's [redacted] subject was the second child, the third child was subject's [redacted] [redacted] Information provided in July, 1955, was that his parents then resided at 825 South Leavitt Street, Chicago, and that [redacted] resided at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. No information was recorded as to the whereabouts of the subject's [redacted] [redacted]

(B) CRIMINAL RECORD:

FBI Identification Record dated December 17, 1957, pertaining to FBI 1194703 records the following record:

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
USM, Chicago, Illinois	LOUIS FRATTO #3722	11/14/33	Sec. 317 Title 18, Postal Laws	
PD, Chicago, Illinois	LOUIS FRATTO #C-77091	11/15/36	G. P.	
SO, Racine, Wisconsin	LEW FARRELL #2597	8/13/39	material witness	rel. on \$50 bond



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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD, Des Moines, Iowa	LEW FARRELLI #12529	9/13/39	Inv.	9/14/39 rel.
SO, Des Moines, Iowa	LEW FARRELL #12995	5/15/48	Conspiracy	11/17/48 dism.
PD, Chicago, Illinois	LEW FARRELL #E-8882	9/16/54	G. P.	

In addition to the above, the Des Moines Sunday Register of March 25, 1951, printed a transcript of testimony before the Senate Crime Investigation Committee on March 24, 1951, which included the reading into the record of the following arrest record allegedly pertaining to the subject:

January 28, 1926 - Petit larceny, guilty plea;  
one year-probation;

June 11, 1927 - Disorderly conduct; \$1.00 fine;

February 24, 1929 - Misconduct; guilty;

February 10, 1931 - Driving while drunk;

February 24, 1931 - Malicious mischief;

June 23, 1931 - Carrying concealed weapon; guilty;

October 13, 1932 - Disorderly conduct; discharged-  
no prosecution;

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September 27, 1933 - Indicted for violation Section 317, Title 18, United States Code; Postal laws;

November 14, 1933 - Arrested on above charge; dismissed;

March 14, 1933 - Disorderly conduct; jury trial; discharged;

March 29, 1933 - Defrauding an innkeeper; discharged;

May 26, 1934 - Vagrancy;

August 1, 1935 - General pickup;

March 14, 1936 - Disorderly conduct;

July 24, 1936 - Investigation;

November 15, 1936 - General pickup.

It appeared from the content of the transcript referred to, that all of the arrests listed above had occurred in Chicago, Illinois. The transcript referred to, listed subject's name as: LEW FARRELL, LUIGI THOMAS FRATTO, LOUIS FARATO, "COCKEYED" LOUIS and LEW FARRELLI.

(C) ASSOCIATES:

Set forth below under subheadings are names of persons who were mentioned in news clippings previously referred to and as developed through other investigations, and appearing with each name are brief comments regarding association with FARRELL as set forth in newspaper articles or as developed through previous investigation.

(1) Legitimate Enterprises:

(a) LOUIS ALEXANDER  
GREENBERG,  
Chicago, Illinois

Owner of Canadian Ace Brewery, which FARRELL represented on arrival in Des Moines in about 1939; admitted intimate acquaintance of AL CAPONE and other members of the Capone mob;

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(b) [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted] LOUIS ALEXANDER GREEN-  
BERG; partner with FARRELL from  
early 1940's to 1950 in Canadian  
Ace Beer Sales Company;

(c) [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted] LOUIS ALEXANDER GREEN-  
BERG; partner with FARRELL from  
early 1940's to 1950 in Canadian  
Ace Beer Sales Company;

(d) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

[redacted] of FARRELL; partner  
with FARRELL in Superior Distribut-  
ing Company, Blatz beer distributor  
May, 1950, to May, 1951;

(e) JACK WOLFE,  
Des Moines, Iowa

Self admitted partner with FARRELL  
in the Aluminum Associates and  
Universal Builders, Incorporated,  
in mid-1950's;

(f) [redacted]

Named by FARRELL as the man who  
hired him to work for Universal  
Builders, Incorporated;

(g) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Named by FARRELL as the man for  
whom he worked in firm "Complete  
Home Remodeling;"

(h) [redacted]

Named by [redacted] as one of  
several partners with FARRELL in  
Aluminum Associates and Universal  
Builders, Incorporated;

(i) [redacted]

Same comments as pertains to  
[redacted]

(j) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Sold Blatz beer distributorship  
to FARRELL and [redacted] in May, 1950;  
in [redacted] sued FARRELL  
and [redacted] for unpaid balance of  
[redacted]

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(k) JOHN D'ARCO

Named by FARRELL as President of Universal Builders, Incorporated;

(l)

[REDACTED]

Named by FARRELL as salesmen for Universal Builders, Incorporated; [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on FHA precautionary list, February, 1955;

(m)

[REDACTED]  
Omaha, Nebraska

[REDACTED] Universal Builders, Incorporated, placed on FHA precautionary list, February, 1955, along with FARRELL;

(n)

[REDACTED]  
Omaha, Nebraska

[REDACTED] Universal Builders, Incorporated, placed on FHA precautionary list, February, 1955, along with FARRELL;

(o)

[REDACTED]  
Omaha, Nebraska

Associated with Universal Builders, Incorporated; also placed on FHA precautionary list, February, 1955.

(2) Associates in Alleged Criminal Activities:

(a)

[REDACTED]  
Des Moines, Iowa

[REDACTED] Mainliner, night club, Des Moines, Iowa, alleged gambling spot, in which FARRELL had an interest in early 1940's; first cousin of FARRELL's wife;

(b)

[REDACTED]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Wife of [REDACTED] of Mainliner, night club;

(c)

[REDACTED]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Alleged partner of FARRELL's in Sports Arcade in middle of 1940's, alleged partner of FARRELL's in Downtown Businessmen's Club, both alleged Des Moines gambling spots; current partner of FARRELL's

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- in Hymie's Drive-in Restaurant, Des Moines. Noted WISEMAN allegedly in car with CHARLEY "CHERRY NOSE" GIOE, Chicago hoodlum, when GIOE was murdered in Chicago in 1954;
- (d) AL GRAMM,  
Des Moines, Iowa  
Employee of Sports Arcade in 1948, co-defendant of FARRELL in gambling conspiracy charge in Des Moines, Iowa, 1948;
- (e) THOMAS "TONY"  
LACOCO,  
Kansas City,  
Missouri  
Alleged Kansas City hoodlum, who claimed to have delivered \$30,000.00 bail money to FARRELL in 1947 for use of [redacted] and [redacted] arrested suspects in night club holdup at Harlan, Iowa;
- (f) TONY GIZZO  
Kansas City,  
Missouri  
Distributor for Canadian Ace Beer in Kansas City during same period FARRELL distributor in Des Moines; \$30,000.00 check on bond money later returned on [redacted] brothers endorsed by GIZZO; described by Senate crime committee as gambler and convicted dope peddler;
- (g) Mrs. KENNETH  
KITTS  
Wife of convicted bank robber, KENNETH KITTS, contacted FARRELL for assistance for husband, after KITTS apprehended;
- (h) CHARLEY "CHERRY  
NOSE" GIOE,  
Chicago, Illinois  
Chicago mobster, who was murdered in Chicago in 1954; FARRELL testified he knew GIOE in Chicago when both were children; in 1942 it was rumored GIOE had an interest in the Mainliner Club and that FARRELL forced or attempted to force GIOE out of his interest;

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- (i) [redacted],  
Kansas City, Missouri One of the two brothers arrested  
as suspects in the holdup of  
night club in Harlan, Iowa;  
charges later dismissed; observed  
having dinner with FARRELL and  
[redacted] in Des Moines  
in January, 1952;
- (j) BENNY BARONE,  
Omaha, Nebraska Observed having dinner with FARRELL,  
[redacted], and [redacted]  
in Des Moines in January, 1952;  
rumored to have received some of  
the loot from KENNETH KITTS  
bank robbery at Laurens, Iowa, in  
1950;
- (k) [redacted]  
J. J. SWIFT;  
[redacted]  
all Des Moines,  
Iowa Named as partners of FARRELL's  
in Downtown Businessmen's  
Club, Des Moines, alleged  
gambling spot
- (l) [redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska Referred to by Omaha Confidential  
Informant T-7, who has furnished  
reliable information in the past,  
but who on one occasion failed to  
report information believed to have  
been in his possession, as Omaha  
bookmaker and that FARRELL  
"muscling in" on [redacted] in 1952;  
further that [redacted] alleged one  
of Omaha persons notified by  
FARRELL when FARRELL allegedly  
assisting escape of KENNETH KITTS  
in January 1951;
- (m) [redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska Same comments as pertain to  
[redacted] above; It is to be noted

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[redacted] is under investigation in the Omaha Division as one of the top ten hoodlums in the Omaha Division;

(n) [redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska

Allegedly joined with FARRELL in "muscling in" on bookmaking operations in Omaha in 1952, per T-7;

(o) [redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska

Named as one of several persons allegedly contacted by FARRELL when FARRELL allegedly assisting KENNETH KITTS in escape in January, 1951, per Omaha Confidential Informant T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past;

(3) Union Officials:

(a) RICHARD KAVNER,  
St. Louis, Missouri

Official of the Teamsters Union alleged to be associating with FARRELL in union matters, Des Moines, Iowa, in 1956, per Omaha Confidential Informant T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past;

(b) PETE CAPELLUPO,  
2108 Poppleton Street,  
Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged to be associating with FARRELL in union matters, Des Moines, Iowa, in 1956, per T-3; Secretary, Local 659, Teamsters, Omaha;

(c) [redacted]  
St. Louis, Missouri

Secretary-Treasurer of the Central States Conference of Teamsters, claimed by FARRELL as an acquaintance and person whom FARRELL attempted to call in 1955 in labor matter, above developed by investigation;

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- (d) JAMES HOFFA President, Teamsters Union; reported to visited at home of FARRELL in summer of 1956, by investigation;
- (e) [REDACTED] International Organizer, Teamsters Union, reported to have made several long distant calls to FARRELL in 1955; frequently visited by FARRELL in Des Moines hospital when a patient in August, 1957, by investigation;
- (f) TED VIRGILIO Chicago, Illinois Named in newspaper article as having joined with FARRELL in unsuccessful attempt in Chicago to organize a union of wardrobe, check room and washroom attendants and doormen - period not stated;
- (g) JOEY GLIMCO Chicago, Illinois Named by FARRELL in September, 1954, as known by him; identified as boss of Local 777, American Federation of Labor Taxicab Drivers Union, affiliate of Teamsters Union.

(4) Attorneys for Farrell:

- (a) [REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa Represented FARRELL after gambling conspiracy charges filed in 1948;
- (b) [REDACTED] Both Des Moines, Iowa Represented FARRELL in hearings held to determine if beer distributing permit to be issued in 1951;
- (c) [REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa Represented FARRELL in hearings before Senate Committee on American Federation of Labor (AFL) matters in 1954; represented FARRELL in law suit with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in 1955;



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(d) [redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska

Represented FARRELL in law suit  
against United Air Lines in  
1956.

(5) Miscellaneous Named Associates:

(a) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Beer distributor, testified as  
character witness for FARRELL  
in liquor license hearings  
October, 1950;

(b) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Former Des Moines police officer,  
later salesman for Blatz beer,  
character witness for FARRELL in  
hearings October, 1950;

(c) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Blatz beer salesman, character  
witness for FARRELL in hearings  
October, 1950;

(d) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Beer salesman, character witness  
for FARRELL in hearings October,  
1950;

(e) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Post office inspector, character  
witness for FARRELL in hearings  
October, 1950; noted [redacted]  
[redacted] to FARRELL at  
[redacted]

(f) Dr. D. M. NIGRO,  
Kansas City, Missouri

Described by FARRELL as personal  
acquaintance of many years  
standing; telephoned FARRELL to  
arrange handling of bail money  
for [redacted]

(g) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Former Chief of Police, Des Moines  
Police Department, named as  
personal friend of subject while  
chief;

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(h) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Former Chief of Detectives,  
Des Moines Police Department,  
named as personal friend of subject  
while Chief of Detectives;

(i) Captain [redacted]

Former Captain of Police, Des Moines,  
Iowa, Police Department, named as  
personal friend of subject while  
on police department;

(j) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Lieutenant, Des Moines Police  
Department, named as personal  
friend of subject;

(k) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Sergeant, Des Moines Police  
Department, named as personal  
friend of subject;

(l) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Former Des Moines Safety Commis-  
sioner, named as personal friend  
of subject;

(m) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Operator of Babe's, a restaurant,  
named as meeting place for FARRELL  
and police officials; personal  
friend of FARRELL;

(n) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Chairman of dinner committee of  
testimonial dinner for FARRELL  
held October, 1957; identified as  
key club operator;

(o) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Identified as residing 1708-59th  
Street; listed as character witness  
for FARRELL when FARRELL obtained  
state license as beer distributor;

(p) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Manager, 7-Up Bottling Company,  
Des Moines, Iowa, advised FBI in  
1957 he had requested assistance  
from FARRELL in 1955 during  
negotiations with [redacted]  
and that FARRELL had attempted tele-  
phone call to [redacted] in St. Louis;

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(q) [redacted]  
Washington, D. C.

Daughter of [redacted] Iowa State Democratic Chairman; FBI investigation disclosed this individual observed occasionally in company with FARRELL and frequently with [redacted] in Des Moines in August, 1957; this individual in November, 1957, was an employee of the Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly, U. S. Senate;

(r) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

FBI investigation in 1955 disclosed FARRELL apparently could be reached telephonically at the Iowa Garage Builders Company in June, 1955; this company operated per credit bureau records by [redacted] and [redacted]

(s) [redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

See comments under [redacted]

(D) CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES:

(1) Gambling:

Des Moines Register of October 8, 1942, carried an article which reported that LEW FARRELL had allegedly displayed a revolver and used threats in an effort to enforce demands for money made to [redacted] operator of the Mainliner, night club, 6001 Southwest 21st Street, Des Moines, Iowa. FARRELL reportedly had a permit to carry a revolver but permit was cancelled by Sheriff's Office after incident. Testimony before the Senate Crime Committee in March, 1951, established that FARRELL had contributed \$2,500.00 to help finance the former Mainliner, described as a Polk County gambling spot, operated by [redacted] FARRELL in this testimony, stated that he had loaned [redacted] \$2,500.00 to establish and operate the club and that as a result he, FARRELL, was supposed to have a 25 percent interest in the club, but [redacted] had failed to divide the profits properly and FARRELL had demanded his money back; FARRELL denied displaying or carrying a revolver or making any threats. [redacted] identified as [redacted] to FARRELL's wife.

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Des Moines Register article of April 24, 1948, reported that one BART HIGGINS, a local gambler, had recently named FARRELL as one of the men who had forced him to stop gambling operations in January, 1948; HIGGINS reportedly charged that a syndicate was forcing small gamblers out of business.

Des Moines Tribune article of October 6, 1954, while quoting from partial transcript of FARRELL's testimony before the Senate Committee investigating scandal in the FEA, quotes denial of FARRELL of any interest in the Downtown Businessmen's Club, described as a gambling establishment. News article then inserted into the transcript a comment which stated in effect that during alcohol tax unit hearings on FARRELL's liquor permit, Investigator C. G. ETTA had testified that FARRELL was a co-partner with thirteen others in the Downtown Businessmen's Club, 415 $\frac{1}{2}$  Locust, Des Moines. Other partners identified as: BART HIGGINS, J. J. SWIFT, AL KIDDIE, ART KIDDIE, PETER RAND, HYMIE WISEMAN, DAVE FIDLER, RICH KENNELLY, JOHN KENNELLY, and ROY KENNELLY.

On March 22, 1957, [ ] then City Attorney for the City of Des Moines, Iowa, advised SA [ ] that LEW FARRELL had telephoned him and indicated he wanted to see [ ] privately. [ ] informed that he had advised Mayor MILLS of this request by FARRELL, and he would see FARRELL as requested. [ ] advised he had met FARRELL in an automobile near the municipal airport, Des Moines, at which time FARRELL approached [ ] about the possibility of being permitted to put four or five gambling places in Des Moines and indicated that it would be worth a lot of money to him, [ ] if this could be done. [ ] stated he had informed FARRELL that he, FARRELL, was "living in the past and he no longer had any influence in Des Moines, Iowa, and that those days are gone." [ ] stated he informed FARRELL that such a thing would not be permitted in the city anymore.

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(a) Dice Games:

Review of files of the Des Moines Tribune and Des Moines Register referred to previously discloses the following information regarding subject:

In April, 1948, police authorities raided the Sports Arcade, 612 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, and found evidence of a gambling establishment and indications that FARRELL and [ ] of the establishment, [ ] Found in the raid were punchboards, a Western Union ticker machine, racing forms and betting tickets; also found was evidence that FARRELL and [ ] had been billed by the Mid-West-Illinois News service for their service which included race track results and baseball games. Other records found in the investigation included an Iowa retail sales application pertaining to the Sports Arcade which listed [ ] FARRELL [ ]

FARRELL denied all connection with the Sports Arcade but was quoted as stating he was a "close friend and life long buddy of [ ] FARRELL, [ ] and one [ ] an employee of the Sports Arcade, were arrested on a charge of conspiracy to violate Iowa gambling laws and pled innocent to such charge. In November, 1948, the above charge was dismissed against all three individuals and [ ] pled guilty to the charge of keeping [ ] and paid \$300.00 fines. News reports indicated the original charge was necessarily dropped because pertinent evidence was not legally admissible.

In connection with the above matter, it should be noted that during testimony before the Senate Crime Committee in Washington, D.C., in March, 1951, it was established that FARRELL's Iowa state income tax for 1947 reported an income of \$13,122.00 from the Sports Arcade; further that his state tax return for 1947 listed as an expense an item of \$2,200.00 for wire services and deduction for "depreciation of dice tables."

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(b) Bookmaking:

On October 13, 1952, T-7 advised he had visited with BENNIE BARONE the previous night at which time BARONE referred to a recent conversation he had had with [redacted] and [redacted] BARONE informed T-7 that from this conversation it appeared to him that [redacted] and LEW FARRELL were "muscling in" on the bookie racket in Omaha. T-7 advised that BARONE had informed him that as of the week end of October 11, 1952, [redacted] had informed BARONE that a contact by LEW FARRELL and [redacted] in the recent past had indicated to [redacted] that FARRELL and [redacted] were to be dealt in on the bookie traffic.

(2) Alleged Assistance to Fugitives and Other Hoodlums:

Set forth at this point is a review of alleged activities and association of subject in the matter of bail bond money for [redacted] Information available is contradictory but is set forth herein as of possible future interest. This data was obtained from newspaper files previously referred to.

In 1947 [redacted] were arrested and held in custody at Harlan, Iowa, on a charge of robbery of a night club. Testimony before the Senate Crime Committee by [redacted] referred to in news articles as a Kansas City gambler, disclosed that he had collected \$30,000.00 for bail from [redacted] and three individuals referred to as Kansas City gamblers, identified as [redacted] TONY GIZZO. During this same testimony [redacted] allegedly admitted connections with a racing wire service and four gambling places in Kansas City. [redacted] testified he drove to Des Moines with the money and delivered the money to a "fellow by the name of LEW FARRELL."

In testimony before the Senate Crime Committee in March, 1951, FARRELL admitted receiving a telephone call from Kansas City in regard to arranging bail money for the [redacted] He refused to identify his caller but subsequently admitted the call had been from Dr. D. M. NIGRO of Kansas City. FARRELL contended his only connection

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with the matter was to arrange for an attorney to proceed to Harlan, Iowa, to assist in the bail arrangements. He admitted going to Harlan along with [redacted] but he denied having anything to do with the \$30,000.00 contending the money was actually handed to authorities in Harlan by whoever brought it up from Kansas City.

Charges against the [redacted] were subsequently dropped. When the bail money was returned it was by check made payable to [redacted]; when check eventually returned to Harlan authorities it bore endorsement of [redacted] and TONY GIZZO.

T-2 advised he was in the company of [redacted] [redacted] KENNETH KITTS, and BENNIE BARONE on the night of January 27, 1951, and from the conversation that evening he was of the opinion that KITTS, after his escape on January 22, 1951, had gone to Des Moines, Iowa, where he first contacted [redacted] and, thereafter, LEW FARRELL, who "put him on ice" until he, FARRELL, was able to advise Omaha individuals, including BARONE, [redacted] and [redacted] who then provided further assistance, probably including a car.

In this connection it will be noted that KENNETH KITTS had escaped from the Linn County Jail, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on the evening of January 22, 1951, where he was being held in connection with a bank burglary at Laurens, Iowa. KITTS was apprehended by the FBI in Omaha on February 8, 1951.

It will be further noted that subject was interviewed by FBI agents in regard to the KITTS matter, and FARRELL denied any connection with KITTS' escape.

### (3) Illegal Union Activities:

T-3 on February 14, 1957, advised he had been closely associated with the labor movement in Iowa for many years and as a result of information in his possession he had concluded that LEW FARRELL of Des Moines was or had been associated in a conspiracy with one RICHARD KAVNER, whom he identified as the Regional Director of the Central Conferences

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of Teamsters and with PETE CAPELLUPO, whom he identified as the Business Agent for Teamsters Local 10 of Omaha, Nebraska. He stated the conspiracy had the effect of preventing legitimate union dealings between employers and employees and, in his opinion, were such that payments must have been made to these persons by the employers involved. T-3 provided information pertaining to several examples of the alleged conspiracy which pertained to subject, details of which will be set forth below.

It will be noted that investigation was conducted by the Omaha Division in regard to allegations made by T-3. This investigation failed to develop information sufficient to disclose any violation of Federal law which would warrant prosecution, according to the opinion of United States Attorney [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, on August 15, 1957. However, investigation conducted did develop information of interest to the present matter and is set forth below.

(a) Activities in regard to the Midwest Burlap and Bag Company:  
Des Moines, Iowa

T-3 alleged on February 14, 1957, that the Midwest Burlap and Bag Company, actively managed by brothers, [redacted] had signed a "Sweetheart" contract with Omaha Local 10 of the Teamsters Union, which contract had the effect of preventing legitimate union activities among the employees and by its terms was much more favorable to the company than a normal labor contract would have been. T-3 stated the contract between Local 10 and the company was alleged to have been signed on September 3, 1956, but, in his opinion, had actually been signed much later than that date. T-3 alleged that FARRELL, KAVNER, and CAPELLUPO must have received payments from the company for arranging such a contract.

Investigation disclosed that FARRELL had been a frequent visitor of the Midwest Burlap and Bag Company offices during the fall and early winter months of 1956;



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that the contract was actually signed in January, 1957; that the contract was probably signed between company and union before any of the employees joined the union, and that selected employees were called in by company officials to join the union after the contract was agreed upon. The [redacted] on interview denied FARRELL had any interest in the company or any connection whatsoever with the union negotiations or transactions between Local 10 and their company; that CAPELLUPO and KAVNER had been involved in negotiations regarding the contract, was admitted.

During investigation of this matter, one [redacted] [redacted] 7-Up Bottling Company, Des Moines, Iowa, was interviewed by SAs [redacted] and ROY W. MEADOWS on April 2, 1957, and advised as follows regarding the subject. He stated negotiations were proceeding between a Teamsters Local in Omaha and the 7-Up Bottling Company in Omaha in the fall of 1955. During this period [redacted] came in contact with one [redacted] who identified himself as an International Organizer for the Teamsters Union. During their initial conversation [redacted] commented that he and [redacted] had a mutual friend in Des Moines and named LEW FARRELL as the mutual friend. Later in the negotiations [redacted] was replaced by RICHARD KAVNER. During this period [redacted] had occasion to visit FARRELL, then a patient in an Omaha hospital due to injuries received in an airliner crash, at which time FARRELL inquired into [redacted] labor difficulties and volunteered to help [redacted] if needed. Subsequent to this [redacted] was presented with demands by KAVNER which seemed excessive and [redacted] called FARRELL, who came to [redacted] office in Des Moines where [redacted] explained the situation. FARRELL offered to help saying he knew [redacted] a person referred to by [redacted] as [redacted]. While in [redacted] office, FARRELL placed a telephone call to [redacted] at the Teamsters Union office in St. Louis but found that [redacted] was out of the city. [redacted] had no other information regarding any other assistance or attempts by FARRELL to assist in this matter, however, he advised the contract was finally signed which did not materially change working conditions prior to the organization of the employees. [redacted] denied making any payment to anyone in connection with this contract.

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During investigation of this matter, interview was had with [ ] Labor Co-ordinator, Labor Temple, Des Moines, Iowa, on March 26, 1957, by SAs [ ] and ROY W. MEADOWS at which time [ ] advised as follows regarding the subject:

He stated it was his understanding that during a strike of the employees of the Midwest Burlap and Bag Company in 1951 during which period the International Textile Workers were attempting to organize the company; that [ ] organizer for the International Textile Workers Union got a call from some Chicago, Illinois, Teamsters Union official that LEW FARRELL might be able to settle the matter. [ ] recalled that FARRELL was contacted and did act as "go-between" between the [ ] and the Textile Workers Union in the 1951 negotiation. He further stated that he believed a Teamsters official from Chicago did come to Des Moines during this time and participated in the negotiation.

[ ] advised that during the 1951 strike at the company the Teamsters Union members did not recognize the picket line of the Textile Workers Union, and it was his opinion that this must have been the result of FARRELL's contact with the Teamsters officials. [ ] offered his opinion that FARRELL has been "selling Midwest Burlap and Bag Company protection ever since the strike in 1951." He stated he had no proof and it was merely conjecture on his part.

[ ] further advised he had learned that during the summer of 1956 JIMMY HOFFA of the Teamsters Union had visited in Des Moines and at that time stayed with LEW FARRELL.

RICHARD KAVNER referred to above believed identical to FBI 469760B: [ ] referred to above believed identical to [ ] of the Central States Conference of Teamsters, FBI [ ]

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(b) Alleged Activities in Regard to Casson's  
Market, Incorporated  
Des Moines, Iowa

T-3, on February 14, 1957, advised that above designated company, owned by [redacted] employs five truck drivers; that in April, 1956, the five drivers joined Local 394 of the Warehousemen's Union, an affiliate of the Teamsters Union in Des Moines; that [redacted] decision to refuse to deal with the union was based, in part, upon advice from LEW FARRELL. T-3 advised that a decision by the union to picket Casson's Market was cancelled by orders from KAVNER not to picket, and further that PETE CAPELLUPO of Omaha entered into the negotiations on behalf of Omaha Local 10 of the Teamsters.

[redacted] Business Agent of Local 394, interviewed on March 20, 1957, by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] advised drivers of Casson's Market had joined his Local in about March or April, 1956; that he had written [redacted] a letter requesting an opportunity to discuss a contract and that his letter had been ignored. He said that approximately a month after that he had received a long-distance call from Chicago from a man who identified himself as "MAHANAY" (phonetic), an official of the Teamsters Union in Chicago, who had stated in effect that [redacted] was a good fellow and inclined to be nervous. [redacted] refused to elaborate on this conversation but stated that his caller had not requested the union lay off [redacted] or take it easy with [redacted] [redacted] advised he had made no further efforts to contact [redacted] and no strike had ever been contemplated. He stated in November, 1956, PETE CAPELLUPO had volunteered to assist in the matter and he assumed CAPELLUPO was still negotiating; that he had heard no more about it. [redacted] advised he had never heard LEW FARRELL's name mentioned in connection with this matter.

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[redacted] Babe's restaurant, Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed March 6, 1957, by SAs [redacted] and ROY W. MEADOWS stated FARRELL had no connection of any kind with his union difficulties. In regard to FARRELL, [redacted] commented that in his opinion FARRELL was hard up financially and was living twenty years in the past when he, FARRELL, had some prestige and power. He stated FARRELL likes to let people get the impression that he can do things and has influence, when in reality, he does not have such influence.

(c) Alleged Activities in Regard to Beatrice Foods Company  
Des Moines, Iowa

T-3 on February 14, 1957, advised that during negotiations between captioned company in the fall of 1956 and Local 387 of the Dairy, Ice Cream, Laundry and Dry Cleaners, an affiliate of the Teamsters Union, the union's business agent, [redacted] was threatened with LEW FARRELL by [redacted] of the company, if the union did not lay off. He further advised that plans were made for the union to strike but were called off when KAVNER was intervened.

[redacted] of the Beatrice Foods Company, Des Moines, Iowa, on March 5, 1957, denied FARRELL's name had ever been mentioned in negotiations between company and union.

[redacted], Local 387 Dairy, Ice Cream, Laundry and Dry Cleaners Drivers Union, Des Moines, Iowa, on March 20, 1957, was interviewed by SAs [redacted] and LAWRENCE D. WELCH at which time his comments in regard to the subject were as follows:

During the period of approximately May, 1956, he was negotiating with officials of the Beatrice Foods Company on a new contract and FARRELL's name was introduced into the conversation by one of the company officials to the effect that [redacted] of the 7-Up Bottling Company, Des Moines, Iowa, had informed company officials that LEW FARRELL had stated there would not be a strike at 7-Up during negotiations at that company. [redacted] said

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he interpreted this remark to mean that he would not be able to strike if he wanted to. He further advised that following failure of negotiations he had requested and received approval of the Central States Conference of Teamsters to strike on June 8, 1956, but on June 7, 1956, had received a telephone call which had the effect of cancelling the strike. [ ] declined to go into further details in regard to the call or the identity of the caller.

(d) Association with [ ]  
Teamsters Union

Des Moines Register article of August 9, 1957, reported that ROBERT "BARNEY" BAKER, International Organizer for the Central States Teamsters Conference, and described as one of the Chairman JIMMY HOFFA's right-hand men, was in the Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, as a patient in an attempt to reduce his weight from 370 pounds to 230 pounds.

Investigation conducted in regard to another matter included interview with [ ] Nurse, main floor of the Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [ ] on November 18, 1957, at which time she advised that [ ] had been a patient at that hospital for about three weeks in August, 1957. She said that among frequent visitors to the hospital to see [ ] was LEW FARRELL. She further related that another frequent visitor of [ ] was [ ] daughter of [ ] State Chairman of the Democratic Party in Iowa, and occasionally FARRELL and [ ] would arrive at the hospital together.

On September 23, 1957, [ ] Reporter of the Des Moines Tribune, voluntarily provided information to SA [ ] that during the period [ ] was a patient in the Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, in August, 1957, [ ] would frequently leave the hospital and visit the Rambler Motel, Des Moines, and spend several hours at the swimming pool of that motel.

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He stated [ ] would be driven to the motel each day by LEW FARRELL, who would wait around with [ ] and would then drive him away. [ ] stated that occasionally [ ] would be accompanied by the [ ]

In connection with another investigation Omaha Confidential Informant T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in August, 1955, advised that [ ] of the organization of the Teamsters Joint Council with headquarters at the Central States Conference of Teamsters, St. Louis, Missouri, had on June 30, 1955, from Council Bluffs, Iowa, attempted to telephone LEW FARRELL at Des Moines, Iowa, telephone numbers 8-5654 or 2-5937.

In connection with another investigation Omaha Confidential Informant T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [ ] while a guest at the Essex House Hotel, New York City, New York, on September 5, 1955, had made a telephone call to FARRELL at Des Moines, Iowa, number 2-5937.

Investigation conducted at Des Moines, Iowa, on September 12, 1955, by SA [ ] disclosed that number 2-5937 is listed to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines.

On September 12, 1955, Omaha Confidential Informant T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Des Moines number 8-5654 is listed to the Iowa Garage Builders Company, 510 Clifton Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

On September 12, 1955, [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, Credit Bureau, advised SA [ ] that the Iowa Garage Builders Company is [ ]

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(E) LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES:

Files of the Des Moines Register and Des Moines Tribune, previously referred to, disclose the following information pertaining to subject's legitimate enterprises.

(1) Beer Distributor:

Shortly after FARRELL's arrival in Des Moines, Iowa, in about 1939 as a representative for Canadian Ace Beer, the Canadian Ace Beer Sales Company was formed with partners identified as FARRELL, MORRIS GREENBERG and SYLVIA ZEVIN with the latter two identified as brother and sister, respectively of ALEXANDER GREENBERG, Supra. Offices for this company was located at 119 Columbus Avenue, Des Moines. This partnership continued in existence until May, 1950, when it dissolved.

On May 9, 1950, same date that the Canadian Ace Beer Sales Company was dissolved a new partnership was formed between FARRELL and AUGUSTA J. RANDA, Des Moines, identified as FARRELL's brother-in-law. New company known as the Superior Distributing Company, offices at 119 Southwest Columbus Avenue, Des Moines, which distributed Blatz beer.

In March, 1951, FARRELL testified before the Senate Crime Committee and on May, 1951, he was denied a Federal beer permit which caused the dissolution of the Superior Distributing Company in May, 1951.

FARRELL has testified that following the dissolution of the Superior Distributing Company, he was unemployed for several years; in line with this testimony is the fact that FARRELL reportedly suffered a heart attack in May, 1951, and was ordered by his doctor to take a rest for several months.

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(2) Siding Companies:

Information available relative to FARRELL's employment in the early 1950's is contradictory but indicates that early in 1953 FARRELL became associated with the Interstate Siding Company of Omaha, Nebraska, and during 1953 and 1954 was associated in some capacity with one or more of the following companies: Universal Builders, Incorporated; Complete Home Remodeling, Incorporated; Aluminum Associates. The foregoing companies engaged in the sale of siding and remodeling supplies to home-owners, which purchases were normally financed by FHA loans.

In February, 1955, FARRELL was included among several of his associates in the Universal Builders and Supply Company of Omaha, Nebraska, to be placed on the FHA precautionary list.

(3) Restaurant Proprietor:

Subject was interviewed by SAs LAWRENCE D. WELCH and MAURICE E. MURPHY in November, 1957, at which time he advised he was a partner in a drive-in restaurant located on Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa. Review of the Des Moines city directory reflects FARRELL associated with Hymies Drive-In, 4701 Fleur Drive; further that [redacted] Des Moines, is listed as [redacted]

(F) PLACES OF AMUSEMENT - HANGOUTS:

Special Agent [redacted] Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Des Moines, Iowa, on January 3, 1958, advised it was his understanding that the subject has been in the habit of spending a great deal of time at a bar and key club located at the south end of the bridge over the Racoon River on South 7th Street in Des Moines.

Observation of this area on January 3, 1958, by SA [redacted] disclosed that located at the point referred to by [redacted] is a bar called Willie's Pizzeria, 506 Clifton, and next to this bar on the west is what appears



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to be a key club called the Des Moines Bowler's Club,  
508 Clifton, Des Moines, Iowa.

(G) TRAVEL:

Subject has been observed about Des Moines, Iowa,  
during 1957 by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]  
to be driving a [redacted] 1957 Plymouth station wagon.

Records of the State Motor Vehicle Bureau  
reviewed January 3, 1958, disclosed on file there.  
Iowa title [redacted] issued January 23, 1957, to [redacted]  
[redacted] Des Moines, on a 1957  
Plymouth [redacted] factory number  
[redacted] purchased new from Friedman Motors, Des Moines,  
Iowa, Iowa license [redacted] A first lien recorded on the  
car, dated January 23, 1957, for \$1,849.55 to Reliable  
Finance, 219 East Grand, Des Moines, Iowa.

Above described car was observed parked in  
driveway of subject's residence, 1115 Caulder, on the  
afternoon of January 3, 1958, by SA [redacted]

[redacted], Auto Registration  
Division, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa, on  
January 3, 1958, advised a search of titles and registration  
certificates failed to locate any other vehicle registered  
to either subject or his wife.

(H) PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES:

No pertinent information is available at  
this time.

(I) PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Following description obtained from review of  
Iowa State Motor Vehicle Bureau, Des Moines Credit  
Bureau, State Bureau of Criminal Investigation, files  
of the Des Moines Register and Tribune, and personal  
observation:

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Name: LEW FARRELL  
Aliases: COCKEYED LOUIS, LOUIS FARATO,  
LOUIS THOMAS FRATTO FARRELL,  
LEW FARRELLI, LOUIS FRATTO,  
LOUIS THOMAS FRATTO, LUIGI THOMAS  
FRATTO, LUIGI FRATTO (True Name),  
LUIGI TOMASO GIUSEPPI FRATTO  
Race: White  
Sex: Male  
Birth Data: July 17, 1907, at Chicago,  
Illinois  
Height: 5'3½"  
Weight: 180 pounds  
Hair: Gray, straight back, high forehead  
Eyes: Brown, wears glasses  
Residence: 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa  
Occupation: Drive-in proprietor, Hymie's Drive-  
Inn, 4701 Fleur Drive,  
Des Moines, Iowa  
Marital  
Status: Married

RELATIVES:

Wife:

[REDACTED]  
1115 Caulder,  
Des Moines, Iowa;

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Children:

Four minor

Parents:

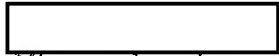
Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS FERRATO,  
aka: TOMASO FRATTO,  
825 South Leavitt Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

Sister:

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois

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Brother:



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Whereabouts unknown

FBI Number: 1194703

Des Moines  
Police Department  
Number: 12529

Polk County  
Sheriff's  
Office  
Number: 12995

Chicago  
Police  
Department  
Number: C-77091 and E-8882 or E-8382

Iowa  
Bureau of  
Criminal In-  
vestigation  
Number: A-57706

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The body of the report contains reference to investigation conducted by the FBI in response to allegations made by Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 regarding conspiracy of FARRELL in labor union relations to several employers in Des Moines, Iowa, area. Investigation referred to briefly and in summarized form in report was furnished to the Bureau under the following captions and reports as identified below:

"Midwest Burlap and Bag Company, Des Moines, Iowa;

[REDACTED]  
PETER C. CAPELLUPO, wa., Pete Capellupo; RICHARD KAVNER; LEW FARRELL, was., Louis Fratto, Lew Farrell; LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT OF 1947 (IM)"

In reports of SA ROY W. MEADOWS dated April 26, 1957, and March 21, 1957, and in reports of SA [REDACTED] [REDACTED] dated June 4, 1957, July 16, 1957, and August 20, 1957.

"Casson's Market, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa; [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] RICHARD KAVNER; PETER C. CAPELLUPO; LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT OF 1947 (IM)"

In reports of SA [REDACTED] dated March 8, 1957, April 23, 1957, and August 20, 1957.

"Beatrice Foods Company, Des Moines, Iowa; [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] RICHARD KAVNER; LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT OF 1947 (IM)"

In reports of SA [REDACTED] dated March 8, 1957, April 12, 1957, and August 20, 1957.

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Identity of Source	Date of Activity And/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	File Number Where Located
T-1: Immigration and Naturalization Service, Omaha, Nebraska	Birth and family background of subject	1/3/58	SA EARL H. WILLIAMS	92-74-8
T-2: Former [redacted]	Re FARRELL's assistance to KENNETH KITTS	1/30/51	SA ELMER L. JACOBSEN	76-652-191
T-3: [redacted] [redacted]	Allegations re FARRELL's union activities	2/14/57	SA [redacted]	122-44-1
T-4: [redacted] [redacted] South-western Bell Telephone Company, St. Louis, Missouri	Telephone calls from [redacted]	8/22-23/55	SA JOHN S. BUSH, St. Louis	7-277-328
T-5: Records of the Essex House Hotel, New York City	Telephone call from [redacted]	September, 1955	Unknown New York agent	7-277-315
T-6: [redacted] [redacted] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa	Identity of Des Moines telephone number	9/12/55	SA [redacted]	7-277-379
T-7: Former [redacted]	Bookmaking in Omaha	10/13/52	SA ELMER L. JACOBSEN	[redacted]

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CHICAGO:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

(1) Will review office indices, contact other appropriate sources for further background information regarding subject and his activities.

(2) Will obtain the complete disposition, examine the court records, and determine the attorney of record, of arrests of subject in Chicago as listed in the body of this report, and such other arrests as may be on record and not yet known.

(3) Will determine current residence and occupation of subject's relatives: Parents, Mr. and Mrs. TOMASO FRATTO,

[redacted] Chicago; [redacted]  
[redacted] Chicago; [redacted]  
address unknown, but originally Chicago.

(4) Will review office indices, contact other appropriate sources for background information and information regarding current activities of:

LOUIS ALEXANDER GREENBERG;

[redacted]  
[redacted] formerly associated with subject in the Canadian Ace Beer Company;

TED VIRGILIO, named as formerly associated with subject in unsuccessful attempt to organize a union of wardrobe, checkroom and washroom attendants;

JOEY GLIMCO, named by FARRELL as an acquaintance in September, 1954, and as boss of Local 777, Taxicab Drivers Union.

Will, following acquisition of above requested information, consider any of the above for possible interview regarding subject and his activities. Will furnish information obtained and results of interviews, if any, in report form.

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MILWAUKEE

AT RACINE, WISCONSIN

Will obtain the complete disposition, examine the court records, and determine the attorney of record regarding arrest of subject by the Sheriff's Office, Racine, on August 13, 1939, their number 2597.

KANSAS CITY

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Will review office indices, contact other appropriate sources for background and current information regarding:

[redacted] who claimed to have [redacted] bail money of \$30,000.00 to FARRELL for [redacted] in 1947;

TONY GIZZO, alleged gambler and convicted dope peddler, who was distributor of Canadian Ace Beer in Kansas City when FARRELL distributor in Des Moines and who endorsed \$30,000.00 bail bond check returned on [redacted]

[redacted] one of two brothers who was aided by FARRELL in 1947, observed with FARRELL in Des Moines, in January, 1952.

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Will, following acquisition of above requested information, consider any of the above for possible interview regarding subject and his activities. Will furnish information obtained and results of interviews, if any, in report form.

OMAHA

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Will review office indices, contact other appropriate sources for background and current information regarding:

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[redacted] named as associates of FARRELL in Universal Builders;

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named as hoodlum associates of subject;  
named as attorney for subject in 1956.

Will contact CI's and PCI's regarding information pertaining to subject's past and current activities and associations.

Will, following obtaining of above requested information, consider any of the above-named individuals for possible interview regarding subject.

AT DES MOINES, IOWA

- (1) Will obtain the complete disposition, examine the court records, and determine the attorney of record, of arrests of subject in Des Moines as listed in the body of this report.
- (2) Will determine further details regarding subject's business relations to Hymie's Drive-In.
- (3) Will determine further information regarding subject's alleged hangouts at Willie's Pizzeria and the Des Moines Bowler's Club.
- (4) Will review office indices, contact other appropriate sources for background and current information regarding:

[REDACTED]  
JACK WOLFE.  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

named as associated with FARRELL  
in legitimate enterprises;

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[redacted]  
J. J. SWIFT,

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

named as associates of subject in  
criminal activities;

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

named as attorneys for FARRELL in the past;

[redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] named as character witnesses for  
FARRELL in 1950;

[redacted]

CAPTAIN [redacted]

[redacted]

named as former police and city  
officials, Des Moines, who were  
friends of subject;

[redacted], named as chairman of dinner  
committee for subject in  
October, 1957;

[redacted] and [redacted] named as proprietors  
of the Iowa Garage  
Builders Company,  
possible hangout or  
business address of  
subject.

(5) Will contact CI's and PCI's for information per-  
taining to subject's past and current activities and  
associations.

(6) Will obtain further details in regard to the  
testimonial dinner held for subject in October, 1957, at the  
Savery Hotel, Des Moines.

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(7) Will, at Reliable Finance, 219 East Grand, Des Moines, review records, obtain pertinent information regarding subject's employment, financial status.

(8) Will, following development of requested information on above-named individuals, consider for possible interview regarding subject and his activities.

REFERENCES

Bureau letter to New York and all SACs dated December 10, 1957, entitled, "Top Hoodlum Program - Anti-Racketeering."  
Omaha letter to the Bureau dated December 13, 1957, entitled, "Activities of Top Ten Hoodlums the Omaha Field Division; Anti-Racketeering."

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cc: Criminal Intelligence Unit

SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

Director, FBI

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LEW FARRELL  
with aliases  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of SA Rossiter C. Mullaney dated 1/10/58 at Omaha.

An analysis of this report at the Bureau reflects that investigation conducted by your office in this case is incomplete. Bureau letter to New York, dated 1/15/58, sets forth these deficiencies most noted in top hoodlum reports received at the Bureau. Instructions contained therein must be strictly complied with. It is of primary importance that an active, searching investigation be conducted regarding the activities of subject in your division, as well as sufficient background information submitted so that the Bureau is fully informed of subject's previous history.

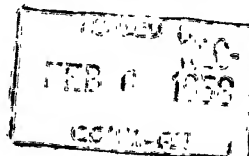
Page 3 of rerep contains information concerning subject's birth in Chicago. Chicago should confirm that information from original sources. Investigation to determine subject's education should be conducted, it being noted that at present his education is unknown. All alleged former employments of the subject should be verified and explored completely. His financial interest in any other companies by which he has been employed should be determined. His marriage should be verified from appropriate records. His place of residence should be definitely confirmed and it should be determined if he owns his home. All information which subject furnished to Senate committees should be verified and properly explored.

Page 17 of rerep describes an incident when the subject allegedly displayed a revolver and used threats in an effort to effect payment of a debt. This incident should be verified by investigation. All information obtained from newspaper files should be verified from original sources and informants in every instance. Subject's allegedly illegal union activities should be thoroughly explored and reported.

cc-2-Chicago

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>OMAHA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>OMAHA</b>	DATE <b>2/21/58 31</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>1/14,16,27,28, 2/3-5,8,11-13,17/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>"CHANGED"</b> <b>LEW FARRELL, was. Cockeyed Louis, Louis Farato, Louis Thomas Fratto Farrell, Leward C. Farrell, Lew Farrelli, Louis Fratto, Louis Thomas Fratto, Luigi Thomas Fratto, Luigi Fratto (TN).</b>		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div>	TYPED BY <b>per</b>
SYNOPSIS: <b>Luigi Tomaso Giuseppe Fratto</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

Subject's arrests, Des Moines, Iowa, 5/15/48 and 9/13/39 verified, details set forth. Associates reportedly have included  Des Moines PD. List of long distance telephone calls of subject from 11/15/57 to 1/31/58 set forth reflecting calls to numerous midwestern cities, including Minneapolis, Kansas City and Chicago, and as far east as Buffalo, New York. Additional details re business activities set forth, including information indicating subject financially backed Complete Home Remodeling Service during period 1952-1954; further, that judgment of \$1,438.47 awarded against subject 11/57 for debts incurred by that company. Review of bank records set forth disclosing subject, in 1957, deposited total of \$21,922.01 in personal checking account, including \$13,142.00, which was probably law suit settlement from United Air Lines; further, that checking account balance at end of 1/58 was \$3.35. Additional places of amusement set forth. Reported frequent traveler by air lines. Flew to Kansas City and returned to Des Moines 2/13/58. Flew to Minneapolis 2/17/58, scheduled to return Des Moines 2/17/58.

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SYNOPSIS CONT:

Stops placed with United Air Lines and Braniff Airways. Associates of long standing describe FARRELL as inclined to attempt to impress with influence, which in reality he does not possess. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

The title of this case is being ~~marked~~ changed to show the additional alias LEWARD C. FARRELL, which name appears on records of the Friedman Motors, Incorporated, 219 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, in connection with the purchase of a car there by subject on January 19, 1957.

(A) PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND:

(4) Marital Status:

A review on February 13, 1958, of the Marriage Register and Index for the period beginning January 1, 1945, for Polk County, Iowa, County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, discloses on page 63, the following:

Marriage license 89619 dated June 8, 1945, was issued for the marriage, which took place on June 9, 1945, between the groom, LEW FARRELL (FRATTO), Kirkwood Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa, age 37, white, born in Chicago, parents TOMASSO FRATTO and BIANCO FARETTA, and the bride, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, age [REDACTED], white, born in Des Moines, parents [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was recorded as the second marriage for the groom, the first for the bride. Witnesses were recorded as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The groom's business was recorded as "beverage business."

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As noted above, subject's marriage to [redacted] was listed as his second marriage. In this connection, [redacted] of "The American Citizen," 1139 24th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 17, 1958, advised he has known FARRELL and of FARRELL since subject's arrival in Des Moines, and has followed subject's activities and reputation in Des Moines, inasmuch as FARRELL belongs to the same national background as does [redacted] stated it was his recollection that FARRELL, prior to coming to Des Moines, was supposed to have married or did marry the daughter of ALEXANDER GREENBERG, owner of the Canadian Ace Beer. He stated the foregoing is very hazy in his mind, that he could not recall the source, but was offering the above for what it was worth.

(5) Residence:

"During the course of an investigation in another matter, subject was interviewed in November, 1957, by SAs LAWRENCE D. WELCH and MAURICE E. MURPHY at 1115 Caulder Street, Des Moines, Iowa, which subject, by comment and by actions, indicated [redacted] was his residence and the residence of his family.

Spot surveillances conducted of the residence at 1115 Caulder Street, Des Moines, at various periods of the day on February 3, 7, and 12, 1958, resulted in observation of a [redacted] 1957 Plymouth Station Wagon, bearing Iowa license plates [redacted] parked in the driveway of that residence. As previously reported, records of the Iowa Motor Vehicle Bureau, Des Moines, disclose the described vehicle to have been registered to [redacted] of that address, which individual is known to be the wife of subject.

Review of records of the Auditor's Office, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 13, 1958, disclosed that the address of 1115 Caulder Street, Des Moines, Iowa, bears a legal description of [redacted] and that the recorded owner is [redacted]

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Review of records of the County Recorder, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 13, 1958, disclosed Probate Deed filed in Book 2326, page 269, on March 16, 1950, and dated March 9, 1950, recorded that for the sum of \$8000.00 paid by [redacted] one [redacted] incompetent, sold and conveyed to [redacted] the following: Lot 205, Watrous Park, Plot 2..

(B) CRIMINAL RECORD:

Deputy Sheriff FRED THIEL, Polk County Sheriff's Office, Identification Division, Polk County Jail, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 3, 1958, made available records pertaining to LEW FARRELL, their number 12995, which disclosed the following:

LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa, was arrested May 15, 1948, at Des Moines, Iowa, on a charge of conspiracy, accomplices named as [redacted] and [redacted] dismissed by the court on November 17, 1948. The description of FARRELL obtained May 15, 1948, is as follows: born July 17, 1908, residence 1115 Caulder, married, occupation as beer distributor, 5'3½", 173 pounds, stocky build, brown and grey hair, brown eyes.

Records of the Sheriff's Office contain a photograph of FARRELL obtained at the time of the above arrest. Such photograph is already available and in the files of the Omaha Office.

Records of the Identification Division, Des Moines, Iowa, Police Department, reviewed February 4, 1958, disclosed information pertaining to LEW FARRELL, their number 12529, which disclosed the following:

LEW FARRELLI, with alias LEW FARRELL, residing at the Chamberlain Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa, was arrested at 11:30 a.m., September 13, 1939, by Officers [redacted] on a charge of investigation. He was released September 14, 1939.



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While held, he was photographed and three sets of fingerprints were taken. Background information provided by subject is as follows: He was born July 17, 1911, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, his father resided in Boston, Massachusetts, his mother was deceased, his occupation was a fight manager, his physical description was as follows: age 28, 5'4", 164 pounds, black hair, dark complexion, brown eyes, single.

Police Department files include a letter dated December 2, 1939, from [redacted] Acting Chief of Detectives, Des Moines, Iowa, which letter reads as follows:

"About two months ago your department arrested one Lew Farrell and placed a charge of investigation on him. At that time you fingerprinted and took a picture of this party. As no charges of any kind were filed against this defendant I hereby make demand of you that you remove from your files and return to said defendant the picture taken of him."

Also included in the files is a memorandum of April 25, 1949, from [redacted] Superintendent, Bureau of Identification, Des Moines Police Department, which states in part, "...our records and pictures on the above (LEW FARRELL) were removed from the files by the request of James D. Brien, in a letter to Inspector Castelline on 12/2/39."

(C) ASSOCIATES:

(1) At Aunt Frances Cafe, Des Moines, Iowa

[redacted] reporter, Des Moines Tribune newspaper, Des Moines, Iowa, on January 14, 1958, voluntarily advised that LEW FARRELL is in the habit of stopping at the Aunt Frances Cafe, 1300 South East 1st Street, Des Moines, every Wednesday morning where he meets with other regular customers of that cafe at that time, such customers, including FLOYD HARTZER, Assistant Chief of Police, Des Moines Police Department, Attorney [redacted] and his [redacted]

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It will be noted previous investigation has developed that [redacted] was chairman of a testimonial dinner for FARRELL held in October, 1957.

In regard to FLOYD HARTZER, the following may be noted: News accounts in local newspapers during January, 1958, reported on a shift in the command of the Des Moines Police Department, which resulted in part in the removal of FLOYD HARTZER, Assistant Chief of Police, in charge of Uniformed Personnel to a post in the office of the City Manager, which post is without any command authority.

(2) Testimonial Dinner, October 6, 1957

The October 11, 1957, issue of "The American Citizen," weekly newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, at 1139 24th Street, by the Sarcone Publishing Company, according to masthead appearing in the aforementioned issue, carried an article captioned "Testimonial Dinner to Lew Farrell." It will be noted there are no page numbers appearing in this newspaper. The article sets forth the following information: Approximately 350 "well wishers and friends" met on the evening of October 6, 1957, at the Hotel Savery to pay tribute to LEW FARRELL, well known to all as a "generous giver and one dedicated to helping others, simply for the satisfaction of being able to help."

According to the aforementioned article, LOUIS ANANIA acted as toastmaster and FRANK RENZO was the principal speaker who began the evening by "recalling the birth in 1908 in Chicago, Illinois, of LUIGI FRATO, son of THOMAS and BIANCA FRATO, LEW's early childhood and the continuous years of his good works and associations with numerous groups throughout the city." Introduced by RENZO were the members of the FARRELL family, his wife, CARMELLA, and "TOMMY, FRANKIE and CARMIE LOU and WILLIE." FARRELL was presented a plaque which referred to the testimonial dinner, the presentation was by MICHAEL ANANIA, JR., chairman of the dinner committee.

The October 18, 1957, issue of "The American Citizen" printed two photographs taken at the testimonial dinner referred to above. One depicts FARRELL receiving the plaque from MIKE ANANIA, and the other is captioned "Mama is so proud..." and depicts a heavy-set black-haired woman embracing

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FARRELL. In neither photograph are FARRELL's facial features visible, but do disclose his hair to be quite grey and his glasses to be the type with broad, black frames.

### (3) Telephone Calls

Confidential Informant Omaha T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 17, 1958, advised that the following long-distance telephone calls were made from Atlantic 2-5937, which phone number is listed to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa. The period involved is from November 15, 1957, to January 31, 1958, and is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>
11/15/57	Omaha, Nebraska	JA 1347	
11/15/57	Omaha, Nebraska		
11/21/57	Chicago, Illinois	CE 6-5561	
11/21/57	Chicago, Illinois	SP 4-3090	
11/24/57	Buffalo, New York		
11/26/57	Omaha, Nebraska	WA 7418	
11/27/57	Ft. Wayne, Indiana	AN 7364	
11/29/57	Minneapolis, Minn.		
11/30/57	Kansas City		
12/4/57	Buffalo, New York	MO 0027	
12/13/57	Omaha	JA 6224	Room 229
12/13/57	Omaha	JA 6224	Room 229
12/17/57	Omaha	JA 6224	Room 229, St. Joseph's Hospital, [redacted]
12/17/57	Council Bluffs, Iowa		
12/27/57	Omaha	JA 1347	Center Construction Company
12/30/57	Omaha	JA 4390	
12/31/57	Omaha	HA 0945	
12/31/57	Omaha		
12/23/57	Kirkwood, Missouri	YO 5-5604	
1/3/58	Omaha		
1/4/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090	
1/5/58	Kirkwood, Missouri		
1/7/58	Kirkwood, Missouri	YO 5-5604	
1/7/58	Cicero, Illinois	TO 3-0590	

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>
1/7/58	Chicago, Illinois	SE 8-3197	
1/7/58	Norwalk, Iowa	WO 3-4803	
1/11/58	Omaha	JA 1347	Center Construction Company
1/31/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090	

(4) Information regarding JOSEPH (JOEY) GLIMCO.

Des Moines Register, issue of September 17, 1954, reviewed December 18, 1957, includes an article reporting the questioning of subject in Chicago, Illinois, regarding his knowledge of CHARLES GIOE. The article reports FARRELL as stating he had heard of GIOE; further, that he did know JOE GLIMCO, boss of Local 777, American Federation of Labor (AFL), Taxidrivers Union, an affiliate of the Teamsters Union.

The Des Moines Sunday Register, issue of February 9, 1958, carried an article with a Washington, D.C. dateline, under the byline of [ ] of the Register's Washington Bureau, which reports interviews with JAMES HOFFA of the Teamsters Union and associates of HOFFA. The article refers to questions placed to HOFFA regarding GLIMCO and quotes HOFFA as replying, "JOEY GLIMCO is the least of our problems. Sure, GLIMCO hangs around with all of those old CAPONE mobsters, but he hasn't any record. I know what his associates are, but those are guys that he has been hanging around with for years. They grew up in the same neighborhood." The article then states, "GLIMCO, a pal of many syndicate gangsters from the old CAPONE mob, has been arrested 22 times, but he has never been convicted."

(5) Information regarding BARNEY BAKER

As set forth in the previous report on subject, [ ] is known to have made several long-distance calls to FARRELL

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in 1955; further, during the summer of 1957 when [ ] was a patient in a Des Moines hospital, FARRELL was a frequent visitor to [ ] and accompanied [ ] on trips around the city outside the hospital.

In the news article referred to above, HOFFA is quoted as stating that BAKER is "a good organizer" and that HOFFA intends to keep BAKER on duty in Detroit, Michigan. HOFFA is quoted as saying, "I've got BARNEY working on the colored cab drivers in Detroit and I plan to keep him unless he does something wrong."

(D) CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES:

(1) Gambling

Review of the records of the County Clerk, Polk County, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 3, 1958, located Criminal Docket #37912 pertaining to "State of Iowa against [ ] LEW FARRELL and [ ] which reflects the following information:

A County Attorney's Information was filed May 15, 1948, which accused the above-named persons of the crime of conspiracy as defined in Section 719.1 of the 1946 Code of Iowa. Information sets forth that the above-named three persons, during the previous three years, "unlawfully conspired together and with persons unknown to the County Attorney with fraudulent and malicious intent and purpose to do an illegal act injurious to the public trade, health, morals or police by illegally operating a gambling house." There is further set forth information developed in a raid on the Sports Arcade, 612 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, on April 26, 1948, which discovered books and records relative to race horses, baseball, football, basketball betting, punch boards; that [ ] was in charge and that [ ] and LEW FARRELL were owners and operators of the Sports Arcade. There are listed witnesses who can testify to the above matters.

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The file discloses that attorney for the defendants was [REDACTED]

The file includes an order by Judge C. EDWIN MOORE of November 17, 1948, which ordered that this case be dismissed, because "it appearing that there is not sufficient admissable evidence to prove the charge of conspiracy against the three defendants named herein, and that the defendants [REDACTED] have pleaded guilty to an information charging them with Keeping a Gambling House."

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(E) LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES:

(1) Beer Distributor

The following inquiries have been made concerning the Canadian Ace Beer Sales Company, with which company subject, according to an article appearing in the Des Moines Register newspaper of October 4, 1950, was associated as a partner until May, 1950.

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reviewed on February 3, 1958, had no information of any kind pertaining to the Canadian Ace Beer Sales Company. Records of the County Recorder's Office, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed February 13, 1958, for record of partnership or trade name filings, contained no information pertaining to this company. Records of Iowa corporations on file at the office of the Secretary of State of Iowa, Capitol Building, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed on February 12, 1958, contained no information pertaining to this company.

In regard to the Superior Distributing Company, in which subject was a partner, according to news articles in the Des Moines Register of May 5, 1951 and the Des Moines Tribune of May 10, 1951, for the period May, 1950 to May, 1951, the following inquiries were made:

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Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-1, reviewed on February 3, 1958, contained no information. Records of the County Recorder's Office, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed February 13, 1958, disclose in Book 4, Index to Trade Names, the information that the Superior Distributing Company, 618 East 2nd Street, Des Moines, Iowa, a partnership, by instrument dated May 17, 1950, and filed May 19, 1950, consisted of partners AUGUST J. RANDA, 933 Caulder, and LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder. No other information was available.

(2) Siding Companies

Set forth below is detailed information obtained from a review of articles appearing in the Des Moines Register and the Des Moines Tribune newspapers on dates specified as revealed from a review of the library of these newspapers on December 17 and 18, 1957. Unless otherwise specified, information taken from these articles was obtained from testimony before the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Investigation Committee of the United States Senate. Also set forth under appropriate captions is additional information available at this time pertaining to each of the companies named:

(a) Interstate Siding

Des Moines Register of July 31, 1954  
Testimony by JACK WOLFE, Des Moines, Iowa:

WOLFE testified that he had helped start an aluminum-siding business in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska, known as the Interstate Siding. He stated subject was associated with the firm and that he had turned the business over to FARRELL because he, WOLFE, did not like complaints he was receiving of high-pressure sales methods being used in the Omaha area. WOLFE testified that he had started the business about four years ago and had got out of it about eighteen months ago.

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(b) Universal Builders

Des Moines Register of September 17, 1954  
Testimony by LEW FARRELL and JACK WOLFE:

The article contains comments by Senator CAPEHART of Indiana that FARRELL was "the most evasive witness" the committee had had before it. The article discloses FARRELL denied any connection with sales or FHA loan applications in the Universal Builders. The article discloses testimony by WOLFE that he sold Universal Builders to FARRELL and a group of Omaha, Nebraska, men. The article discloses testimony by FARRELL that he did not purchase the company, that he was only an office manager, he denied knowing who the owners were, denied knowing who the president was, stated he did not know who worked for him, and stated he was hired by one LEONARD KLEIN.

Des Moines Tribune of October 6, 1954  
Testimony of FARRELL:

FARRELL stated he was last employed as an office manager for Universal Builders at Southwest 7th and Indianola Road.

Des Moines Tribune of October 11, 1954  
Testimony of JACK WOLFE, re companies he was associated with from the fall of 1951 to the spring of 1953:

WOLFE stated he was associated in Universal Builders, Incorporated, with LEW FARRELL, I.M. COHEN and LOUIS SHULMAN. WOLFE further testified he now realized he had made a mistake in associating with FARRELL and stated, "Mr. COHEN and myself sold the entire company to a group of his (FARRELL's) associates in Omaha and stepped out of the picture."

Des Moines Tribune of October 20, 1954  
Testimony of FARRELL on August 17, 1954:

FARRELL stated he knew JACK WOLFE, but had had no business connection with him. FARRELL stated he did not purchase the Universal Builders from WOLFE.



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Des Moines Tribune of February 4, 1955:

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The article reports that the FHA had put subject and his Omaha business associates on their precautionary list because of methods used by Universal Builders and Supply Company in Omaha, and in a branch office in Des Moines. Four principals were named: LEW FARRELL, JOSEPH CONTI, President; JOSEPH S. DINOVI, Vice President and Treasurer; and LARRY MITILIES. Also named were two salesmen: PAUL WOODS and YALE SMITH. CONTI, DINOVI and MITILIES were identified as being from Omaha, Nebraska.

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2, pertaining to the Universal Builders and Supply Company, Incorporated, of Des Moines, Iowa, Southwest 7th and Indianola, Des Moines, Iowa, set forth the following information.

On April 20, 1954, LEW FARRELL reported that he was a branch manager of the above company and that headquarters of the company were located at 12 South 10th Street, Omaha, Nebraska. On June 17, 1954, FARRELL advised the building at Southwest 7th and Indianola, sometimes referred to as 502 Clifton, was [redacted] of Des Moines, and houses five separate businesses.

(c) Aluminum Associates

Des Moines Tribune of October 11, 1954

Testimony by JACK WOLFE, regarding companies he was associated with from the fall of 1951 to the spring of 1953:

WOLFE stated he was associated with the Aluminum Associates with LEW FARRELL, I. M. COHEN and LOUIS SHULMAN.

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 reviewed on February 3, 1958, had no information pertaining to this company. Records of the County Recorder's Office, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, were reviewed February 13, 1958, for record of partnership or trade name disclosed no information relative to this company. Records of Iowa corporations on file at the office of the Secretary of State of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed on February 12, 1958, disclosed no information.

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(d) Complete Home Remodeling Company

Des Moines Register of September 17, 1954

Testimony by FARRELL:

FARRELL stated he had worked for [ ] of Des Moines, Iowa, as business manager for a firm known as "Complete Home Remodeling." He denied any connection with sales or FHA loan applications.

Des Moines Tribune of October 6, 1954

Testimony by FARRELL:

FARRELL denied any connection with Complete Home Remodeling.

Des Moines Tribune of October 20, 1954

Testimony by FARRELL at closed session of Senate Committee on August 17, 1954:

FARRELL stated his most immediate past employer was HAROLD GOLDING of the Complete Home Remodeling, Southwest 7th Street and Indianola Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, that he had been with that firm for about one and a half years, and ceased association with the firm about five or six months ago. FARRELL stated he was office manager for Complete Home Remodeling.

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2, reviewed February 3, 1958, disclosed information pertaining to the Complete Home Remodeling Company, Southwest 7th and Indianola Road, Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

Business was begun on September 2, 1952, with owner reported as [ ] who reportedly started business with [ ] cash savings. Business was described as the sale and application of siding and similar construction materials for the improvement of private residences. [ ] was described as born in [ ] Alabama, to have been employed in Chicago, Illinois, from [ ] from [ ] for National Roofing and Siding Company, New Orleans, Louisiana, and from [ ] for General Builders, Incorporated.

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In a report of T-2 dated September 15, 1952, [redacted] was reported to have stated [redacted] Complete Home Remodeling Company and that "LEW FARRELL had no interest whatsoever." In a report dated October 5, 1953, a report of T-2 stated that "outside authorities are of opinion that (Complete Home Remodeling Company) is receiving outside help, but source and amount cannot be confirmed." In a report dated February 5, 1954, [redacted] claimed to be the sole owner. In a report dated April 13, 1954, information was set forth that the business closed around March 1, 1954.

Records of the Des Moines Credit Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa, were reviewed February 3, 1958, by [redacted] who advised information included therein pertaining to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, disclosed that a judgment had been entered on November 13, 1957, against LEW FARRELL, in favor of the Ashton Wholesale Service for \$1438.47.

Records of the Polk County Clerk's Office, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed February 4, 1958, disclosed under file L-64053, the following information:

In the matter of Ashton Wholesale Service, Plaintiff, versus [redacted] dba Complete Home Remodeling Service, and LEW FARRELL, petition was filed December 20, 1954, demanding judgment for \$1438.47. The review disclosed plaintiff is a corporation engaged in the selling of building materials, that [redacted] doing business as the Complete Home Remodeling Service, 7th and Indianola Road, Des Moines, Iowa, during the period 1952 and 1953 had purchased materials from the plaintiff, that certain payments had been made for such materials, but balance due was \$1438.47, that LEW FARRELL, in consideration of the plaintiff's advancing credit and selling goods to [redacted] [redacted]s requested by FARRELL, had promised and agreed in writing to be answered to plaintiff for payment of goods purchased by [redacted] dba Complete Home Remodeling Service, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, that demand had been made of [redacted] and FARRELL, but neither had paid.

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The file included a copy of an undated letter to the Ashton Wholesale Service, signed LEW FARRELL, which stated, "I guarantee payment up to \$10,000 for any merchandise sold by you to Complete Home Remodeling Service..."

The file discloses attorney for the plaintiff was the firm of [redacted] Insurance Exchange Building, Des Moines, Iowa; for defendants [redacted] and FARRELL, [redacted] Fleming Building, Des Moines, Iowa.

The file further discloses a stipulation filed November 7, 1956, wherein an agreement was recorded that it has been agreed that LEW FARRELL shall pay into the office of the Clerk of the Court within one year, the sum of \$400.00 as full and complete satisfaction; further, that in the event the \$400.00 remains unpaid, that LEW FARRELL did agree that the plaintiff without further notice may present to the court and secure a judgment in the amount of \$1438.47 plus interest and costs.

The file discloses there was filed on November 6, 1957, a judgment against LEW FARRELL for \$1438.47 plus interest and costs, inasmuch as the \$400.00 agreed upon had not been paid.

On February 4, 1958, inquiry was made at the firm of [redacted]

Insurance Exchange Building, Des Moines, Iowa, in regard to the above matter. Mr. ROY W. MEADOWS, former FBI Agent, and now an attorney with the above-named firm, confidentially advised this matter had just recently been brought to his attention for handling and that he was unable to provide additional information. He stated, however, he intended to study the matter in the near future, and would advise of any pertinent information which might be desired pertaining to subject.

Records of the County Recorder's Office, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, reviewed February 13, 1958, disclose in the Index to Trade Names, Book 5, therein recorded the trade name of "Complete Home Recording," Southwest 7th and Indianola Road, Des Moines, Iowa, [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, instrument dated September 3, 1952, and filed September 4, 1952.

### (3) Restaurant Proprietor

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2, reviewed February 3, 1958, pertaining to Hymie's Drive Inn, 4701 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa, disclosed this business, consisting of a lot, a building and a going restaurant. [redacted] was purchased on [redacted] from [redacted] for \$35,000.00 on contract and cash. [redacted] was reported to have a mortgage on the building and land. The purchaser was reported to be [redacted]. Business commenced operations under [redacted] control on July 1, 1955, has four regular employees, plus temporary employees as needed, and is estimated to gross \$60,000.00 annually. The report contained no mention of LEW FARRELL.

As set forth elsewhere in this report, records of Friedman Motors, Incorporated, 219 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, FARRELL, in a form made out on January 19, 1957, set forth his employment as self-employed as a drive-in operator.

[redacted] "The American Citizen," 1139 24th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 17, 1958, advised he had heard, source not recalled, that subject had financed [redacted] in the purchase of the above-named drive-in restaurant. [redacted] further advised that he had been present at a conversation which took place in the early part of February, 1958, at which time FARRELL was asked as to what his present business activities were, and FARRELL had replied something to the effect that he planned to substantially enlarge a restaurant on Fleur Drive, in which he was interested, and to build a large motel in connection thereto. [redacted] commented that he did not know whether to believe FARRELL's statements or not.

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(4) Unknown Business Activity

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 4, 1958, advised he had gained the impression in conversation with LEW FARRELL recently that FARRELL had some sort of a lucrative business connection with his brother in Chicago, Illinois. T-3 sated he did not know the brother's name, nor did he have any details as to the nature of the business.

(5) Examination of Bank Records

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 4, 1958, advised the Bankers Trust Company has a checking account entitled "LEW or [REDACTED] FARRELL, 1115 Caulder St., City." Details concerning the account during 1957 are as follows:

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Beginning balance in January, 1957, was \$1143.81. Deposits recorded during 1957 totaled \$21,922.01, for a total amount available in the account during 1957 of \$23,065.82. Balance at the end of December, 1957, was \$109.06, resulting in total disbursement during 1957 of \$22,856.76.

High month-end balance was recorded at the end of April, 1957, as \$5,167.13; low month-end balance was recorded at the end of June, 1957, as \$11.34.

List of deposits into the account are recorded below as of date entered into the account in 1957;

January 14	\$ 300.00
February 15	1100.00
February 15	100.00
March 11	500.00
March 14	50.00
March 18	1000.00
April 22	20.00
April 23	13142.40
May	None
June	None
July 5	100.00
August	None
September 3	2084.61

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September 13	\$ 400.00
September 30	500.00
October 21	275.00
October 22	1000.00
November 8	500.00
November 14	300.00
December 3	300.00
December 13	100.00
December 30	100.00
Total	<u>\$21922.01</u>

T-4 stated records maintained by the Bankers Trust Company are such that it was not possible to determine as of February 4, 1958, whether or not any of the above deposits could be identified. He stated that if the deposits were by currency, then, of course, no further search would be possible; further, if the deposits were by check on a bank in Des Moines or where the check would have been returned through the local clearing house, then there would be no record; however, if the check was on an out-of-town bank, then it would be probable that a microfilm record would have been made of the check. T-4 further advised that there would be no way to identify the disbursements made out of this account inasmuch as all checks drawn on the account would have been returned to the FARRELLS.

The checking account, referred to above, includes a monthly statement for January, 1958, which discloses the following activity: Beginning balance of \$109.06; three checks written for amounts of \$50.00, \$54.31, and \$1.40, leaving a balance at the end of January, 1958, as \$3.35. No deposits during January, 1958, were recorded.

In regard to the deposit on April 23, 1957, of \$13,142.40, it is to be noted that a news article appearing in the Des Moines Register newspaper, issued of April 23, 1957, reported that a settlement had been reached in the law suit between FARRELL and United Air Lines for alleged injuries suffered by FARRELL in an airliner crash. The article stated the settlement had been described as "sizeable."

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[redacted] City Sales Manager, United Air Lines, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 13, 1958, advised subject had filed a law suit against that company in connection with alleged injuries suffered in a plane crash several years previously. He stated the case had been under the jurisdiction of the U.S. District Court in Omaha, Nebraska, and that, so far as he knew, the case had been settled out of court, amount unknown to him.

(6) Purchase of Automobile

[redacted] Credit Manager, Friedman Motor Company, 219 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, advised that company is the owner of the Reliable Finance Company of that address and that he was in possession of all records pertaining to the financing of a motor car there in 1957 by LEW FARRELL. [redacted] made available records which disclose the following:

A Conditional Sales Agreement dated January 19, 1957, between the Friedman Motors, Incorporated, and LEWARD C. FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, discloses purchase by FARRELL of a 1957 Plymouth, four-door suburban custom, Serial Number 16143717, Motor Number P3153218, total price recorded as \$3574.20. Trade-in allowance on a 1955 Dodge was \$1965.90. The finance charges were listed as \$241.25. The note was signed by FARRELL for \$1849.55 with monthly payments established at \$61.67.

A statement by the purchaser dated January 19, 1957, in which background information requested included written comments by FARRELL that he was self-employed as a drive-in operator. The file includes a Maryland Casualty Company Policy [redacted] issued to [redacted] by the P.J. Romano Agency, 1142 Des Moines Building, Des Moines, Iowa.

[redacted] exhibited a payment card which listed thereon a record of payments made by LEW FARRELL. Beginning balance due was \$1849.55. Payments were received as follows:



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March 7, 1957	\$ 61.67
April 1, 1957	61.67
May 8, 1957	246.68
August 16, 1957	61.67
October 17, 1957	123.34
November 15, 1957	61.67
December 30, 1957	123.34
Balance due	1109.31

Of possible interest may be the fact that of the amounts listed above, only one, the payment of \$246.68, appears on bank record disbursements referred to elsewhere in this report, indicating other payments were made in cash.

(F) PLACES OF AMUSEMENT - HANGOUTS:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on February 4, 1958, advised LEW FARRELL is in the habit of daily visiting the Airlanes Bowling Alley, 4200 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa, in the company of several of his children, at which time he bowls with his children.

[redacted] reporter of the Des Moines Tribune newspaper, Des Moines, Iowa, on January 14, 1958, advised subject usually visits the Aunt Frances Cafe, 1300 Southeast 1st Street, Des Moines, Iowa, every Wednesday morning.

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(G) TRAVEL:

On February 13, 1958, Confidential Informant Omaha T-7, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he would inform the FBI immediately of travel or scheduled travel on planes of United Air Lines by subject.

It will be noted the United Air Lines handles all east - west flights to and from Des Moines, Iowa.

On February 17, 1958, Confidential Informant Omaha T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he would inform the FBI immediately of travel or scheduled travel on planes of Braniff Airways by subject.

It will be noted the Braniff Airways handles all north - south flights to and from Des Moines, Iowa.

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 14, 1958, advised that subject was scheduled to depart Des Moines via Braniff flight 351 at 10:41 a.m., February 14, 1958, for Kansas City, and was scheduled to return to Des Moines by Braniff flight departing Kansas City at 5:30 p.m. The foregoing information was provided the Kansas City Division, which subsequently on February 14, 1958, informed subject was in Kansas City on that date and scheduled to depart Kansas City for Des Moines on Braniff flight 396 at 8:40 p.m.

On February 17, 1958, Confidential Informant Omaha T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised subject had departed Des Moines at 10:45 a.m., February 17, 1957, on Braniff Flight 140, for Minneapolis, and had a reservation for return to Des Moines on Braniff flight departing Minneapolis at 4:00 p.m., February 17, 1958. T-6 stated subject is a frequent traveler by air from Des Moines, using both United and Braniff lines and averaging possibly one or more flights a week.

(H) PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on February 4, 1958, advised he has known LEW FARRELL for many years and at one time was a business associate of FARRELL. He advised he continues to see FARRELL frequently. T-3 stated he considered FARRELL "95% wind bag and 5% truth." T-3 elaborated by stating FARRELL has always done his best to impress his associates and the public with his influence; that FARRELL is a "name dropper" and in the opinion of T-3 FARRELL has never had the power and influence that he has claimed to have.

In this connection, it may be noted that [redacted] Babe's Restaurant, Des Moines, Iowa, on March 6, 1957, advised SA s [redacted] and ROY W. MEADOWS that he had known FARRELL for many years and at one time was a very close personal friend of FARRELL. [redacted] stated in his opinion, FARRELL was living twenty years in the past when he, FARRELL, had some prestige and power. He stated FARRELL likes to let people get the impression that he can do things and has influence, when in reality, he does not have such influence.

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[redacted] Sarcone Publishing Company, 1139 24th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, on February 17, 1958, advised he has been casually acquainted with LEW FARRELL since the early days of FARRELL's life in Des Moines, and worked with FARRELL occasionally when both were active in the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Des Moines. He stated he was never an intimate acquaintance of FARRELL and does not approve of FARRELL's activities as reported in the newspapers through the years. [redacted] advised that during his period of association with FARRELL in the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which included a number of social gatherings and parties, he has never known FARRELL to join in on the gambling that would take place at such gatherings or to drink to excess. He commented that FARRELL had been an excellent committee member and could be counted on to carry his duties through to completion. He further advised that FARRELL had been an excellent member of that organization in that FARRELL was always very generous with contributions to various drives for money. [redacted] stated that FARRELL always attempted to present a quiet, dignified appearance and apparently made serious efforts to improve his grammar and social graces.

(I) PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The following is to be added to the description set forth in the previous report, as disclosed in the news article referred to in the body of this report, wherein names of subject's children were listed: [redacted] and [redacted]

SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942, THEREFORE CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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- T-1 is [ ] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA LAWRENCE D. WELCH.
- T-2 is records of Dun and Bradstreet, Insurance Exchange Building, Des Moines, Iowa, made available by [ ] reviewed by SA [ ]
- T-3 is Omaha PCI [ ] interviewed by SA [ ]
- T-4 is [ ] Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, interviewed by SA [ ]
- T-5 is [ ] United Air Lines, Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [ ]
- T-6 is [ ] Braniff Airways Official, Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [ ]
- T-7 is [ ] City Sales Manager, United Air Lines, interviewed by SA [ ]

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Reporting Office <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>2/28/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>2/14,17,22,25/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, Was. Cockeyed Louis, Louis Farato, Louis Thomas Fratto-Farrell, Leward C. Farrell, Lew Farrelli, Louis Fratto, Louis Thomas Fratto, Luigi Thomas Fratto, Luigi Fratto (TN), Luigi Tomaso Giuseppi Fratto</b>		Report <b>SA</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></span>	Typed By: <b>sfb</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

Synopsis:

is subject of Anti-Racketeering investigation at Kansas City. TONY GIZZO died at Dallas, Texas, 4/1/53.  4-1  
 presently believed to be residing Tulsa, Oklahoma. FARRELL arrived KCMO, 11:55 A.M., 2/14/58, and spent most of that afternoon at the Original Toy and Jobbing Co., operated by  a well known Kansas City gambler. FARRELL had dinner at GAETANO's Restaurant which is   
 FARRELL was accompanied by  a well known Kansas City gambler, at GAETANO's and was observed talking to BRUNI but LOCOCO was not present. FARRELL left Kansas City 9:10 P.M., 2/14/58. FARRELL again arrived KCMO, 11:40 A.M., 2/22/58, and was driven by  to the Downtown Bridge Club, a gambling establishment, where he spent most of the day. FARRELL was driven to the airport by  a gambler, and departed for Des Moines, Iowa, 8:48 P.M. There is no telephone exchange in Greater Kansas City with the prefix CA. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS. -RUC-

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DETAILS:

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI:

GAETANO LOCOCO, Was., FBI #278541, is presently the subject of an Anti-Racketeering investigation in the Kansas City Office. He was born January 3, 1895, at Kansas City, Missouri, and has been associated in gambling activities since 1913 when he was first arrested at Kansas City, Kansas, for vagrancy and sentenced to 100 days in the work house. He is reportedly a member of the Board of Directors of the "syndicate" in Kansas City and has several arrests with no convictions except the vagrancy conviction in 1913 and a sentence at the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, for income tax evasion September 11, 1950, of two years and one day. LOCOCO presently resides at 346 South Jackson, Kansas City, Missouri, and operates Gaetano's Restaurant and Cocktail Lounge which records indicate is owned by his wife [redacted] LOCOCO, and son-in-law, [redacted]  
[redacted]

ANTHONY ROBERT GIZZO, Wa., TONY, FBI #63534, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department Number 12572, was at one time described as the boss of the Italian underworld group in Kansas City. He was an active gambler and underworld figure.

An article from the Kansas City Star dated April 1, 1953, indicates that GIZZO died on April 1, 1953, in Dallas, Texas, after suffering a heart attack. In this article GIZZO was described as a gambler and a member of the Mafia.

[redacted] Was., GUS and [redacted] FBI [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri Police Department # [redacted] is a [redacted] of CHARLES GARGOTTA, who was slain in gangland fashion along with CHARLES BINAGGIO in April, 1950. [redacted] was a gambler and underworld figure in Kansas City, Missouri, and the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department records as furnished by [redacted] Clerk, Records and Identification Bureau, on February 17, 1958, indicates he was arrested 38 times dating back to December 16, 1921, to May 25, 1950. These arrests included vagrancy, liquor, gambling, robbery, and speeding.

A Kansas City Times newspaper article dated March 24, 1951, with dateline Tulsa, Oklahoma, indicates a state charge

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of vagrancy was filed by the County Attorney against [ ] and which indicated that [ ] was allegedly trying to set up a gambling game in Tulsa, Oklahoma, with a Kansas City associate.

A Kansas City Times newspaper article dated September 13, 1951, datelined Tulsa, Oklahoma, indicated that [ ] appeared with his attorney and demanded a jury trial to the vagrancy charge. The case was scheduled for November. Sheriff GEORGE BLAINE of Tulsa, Oklahoma, indicated in the above-mentioned article that [ ] was attempting to set up big time rackets in Tulsa. [ ] at that time maintained that he was in the produce business.

On February 17, 1958, Major JOHN HALVEY, Chief of Detectives, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, advised that it was his understanding that [ ] continues to reside in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

On February 14, 1958, subject arrived at the Kansas City Municipal Airport at 11:55 A.M. and was met by a person later identified as [ ] home address [ ] Missouri. [ ] drove FARRELL directly to a store located at 303 West 9th Street. This store is known as the Original Toy and Jobbing Company and is operated by [ ] a well known Kansas City gambler. FARRELL stayed at this location for most of the afternoon and during the time he was there the following individuals entered the store at 303 West 9th. They were observed by SA'S FRANCIS W. EVANS, JR., [ ] HENRY W. GOODSON, and [ ]

[ ] 801 East Armour, Manager of the Ice Service Company.

[ ] Manager, Atlas Sundries,  
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At 6:10 P.M., February 14, 1958, subject and MAX IABIN were observed by SA'S EVANS, [ ] GOODSON, and [ ] leaving the Original Toy and Jobbing Company and drove in [ ] car to Gaetano's Restaurant.

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and Cocktail Lounge, 400 East 5th Street. [ ] and subject were observed by SA'S GOODSON and [ ] eating dinner and during the course of their dinner were observed by SA'S GOODSON and [ ] talking to [ ] son-in-law of GAETANO LOCOCO. LOCOCO was not at the restaurant during this time and subject is not known to have contacted LOCOCO.

At 7:45 P.M., [ ] drove the subject to the Kansas City Municipal Airport, let off the subject at the main entrance and departed. The subject was observed by SA'S GOODSON and [ ] boarding Flight 396, Braniff Airways for Des Moines, Iowa, at 9:10 P.M.

[ ] has no record at the Kansas City Missouri Police Department according to information furnished by [ ] Clerk, Identification Bureau, on February 17, 1958, nor is he listed in the Greater Kansas City Telephone or City Directories.

On February 17, 1958, [ ] Clerk, Greater Kansas City Credit Bureau indicated the only reference the records had to [ ] was a card dated June 9, 1953, indicating his address as 3253 Main and listing a chattel mortgage to the ABC Investment Corporation on a 1953 Chevrolet sedan in the amount of \$1,435. No other information was on file. [ ] drives a 1957 [ ] Oldsmobile bearing Missouri license [ ]

[ ] has a 1955 Pontiac, [ ] registered to him and the registration reflects his address as [ ] The Kansas City Directory reflects [ ] to be Manager of the Ice Service Company.

On February 17, 1958, [ ] Clerk, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, furnished the record on [ ] which indicates he has [ ] from [ ] His date of birth is [ ] and he is described as a white, male, [ ] and [ ] pounds.

Miss [ ] Clerk, Greater Kansas City Credit Bureau, advised on February 17, 1958, that [ ] is



the Vice President of the Artificial Ice Company, 2404 Vine, and has an excellent credit rating. He is listed as having resided in Kansas City since 1933. No additional information is listed.

[redacted] was observed driving a light blue 1958 Cadillac, bearing Missouri license 4-755. This license is registered to [redacted] on a 1953 Cadillac and lists his address as 2727 Troost.

The Kansas City, City Directory, indicates [redacted] is the manager of the Atlas Sundries and resides at [redacted]

The Kansas City Missouri Police Department records as furnished by [redacted] on February 17, 1958, indicate [redacted] Wa., [redacted] FBI [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri Police Department [redacted] has nine arrests dating back to November 4, 1931, including investigation felonious assault, investigation robbery, investigation gambling, careless driving, and speeding.

[redacted] according to the records of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department as furnished by [redacted] on February 17, 1958. has FBI [redacted] and Kansas City, Missouri Police Department [redacted] has been arrested on 18 occasions and these arrests include [redacted]

[redacted] when he was [redacted] which case was [redacted] On this occasion he was arrested at 216 West 12th Street, the Gay Nineties Bar and was observed carrying several slips of paper. On his person was found several horse bet slips and other horse bet information with the amount of the bet, the track, the horse, and the initials of the person placing the bet. On this occasion he had \$1,135 on his person.

MORRIS "SNAG" KLEIN, according to records of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department as furnished by [redacted]

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WINIFRED GREELEY on February 17, 1958, has FBI #4694729, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department #68944. He has numerous arrests in Kansas City, Missouri, and is categorized as a gambler. His record indicates he was sentenced to 18 months on July 12, 1947, in U. S. District Court, Kansas City, Missouri, for incorrigibles, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, for election fraud - conspiracy. He resides at 815 East 18th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and was born February 15, 1910.

[ ] operates the Original Toy and Jobbing Company at 303 West 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

The records of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department as furnished by WINIFRED GREELEY on February 17, 1958, reflect MAX JABIN, FBI #2154730, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department #25532, has 11 arrests in Kansas City, Missouri, including arson, traffic, assault, disturbing the peace, receiving stolen property, gambling, and suspected murder. He resides at Blue Springs, Missouri, and was born October 24, 1907, in Poland. He lists his legal occupation as the White Textile Fabrics, New York City, New York.

On February 28, 1958, at 11:40 A.M. the subject arrived at the Kansas City, Municipal Airport and was observed by SA'S EVANS and [ ] being met by MAX JABIN. Subject and JABIN along with a third man who was unidentified drove directly to the Downtown Bridge Club, 1423 Baltimore where they all entered and stayed until 12:50 P.M. when they again left in JABIN's car and JABIN left subject and the unidentified third person at the Muehlebach Hotel where FARRELL and the unidentified man were observed by SA's [ ] and GOODSON having lunch with two women later identified as [ ] and [ ] in the Terrace Grill of the Muehlebach Hotel. The unidentified man and FARRELL left the Muehlebach Hotel at 2:10 P.M. and walked to the Italian Gardens, a restaurant located one half block North of the Muehlebach Hotel. FARRELL and this individual were observed by SA [ ] in the bar at the Italian Gardens where they stayed until 2:50 P.M. when they walked to the Downtown Bridge Club.

The subject remained at the Downtown Bridge Club until 8:00 P.M., when he was driven to the airport by

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[redacted] in a 1954 or 1955 Buick, Missouri license [redacted] FARRELL arrived at the airport at 8:10 P.M. and was observed by SA'S WILLIAM G. BROOKHART, and [redacted] entering the aircraft which was Braniff Airways, Flight 396. This flight took off for Des Moines, Iowa, at 8:48 P.M.

On February 22, 1958, [redacted] Manager, Muehlebach Hotel, 12th and Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, advised SA [redacted], that a [redacted], telephonically made reservations for [redacted] and himself on February 21, 1958. According to [redacted] Muehlebach account [redacted] reflects [redacted] registered at 1:51 P.M. on February 22, 1958, and gave his address as [redacted] New Orleans, Louisiana. Muehlebach account [redacted] reflects [redacted] registered on February 22, 1958, and gave his address as [redacted] Houston, Texas.

[redacted] Muehlebach account Numbers [redacted] respectively checked into the Muehlebach on February 22, 1958, at 12:01 P.M., and were placed in Room [redacted] [redacted] gave her address as [redacted] Bronx, New York, and [redacted] gave her address as [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa,

[redacted] advised that all four were due to leave on February 23, 1958.

The 1954 or 1955 Buick, bearing Missouri license [redacted] driven by [redacted] is registered to [redacted]

The Greater Kansas City, City Directory indicates that [redacted] reside at [redacted] Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

The Kansas City, Missouri Police Department records as furnished by [redacted] on February 15, 1958, indicate that [redacted] was arrested for [redacted] and [redacted] on May 11, 1949, and was fined \$25 on each charge. Her address is listed as [redacted] date of birth, [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.

The Kansas City, Missouri Police Department records as furnished by [redacted] on February 15, 1958, reflect [redacted] was born [redacted] and listed his present address as [redacted] and his former address as [redacted] [redacted] has five traffic arrests.

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City were furnished on February 15, 1958, by [redacted] and they indicate that [redacted] have been in file since May 19, 1938, and lists his age as approximately 40. The record indicates that [redacted] reside with [redacted] mother [redacted] the [redacted] Super Market. [redacted] is a clerk at the store located at [redacted] and his wife also clerks at the same business establishment. Previous employments listed by [redacted] are as follows:

[redacted]

T-1, of unknown reliability advised SA'S LEO V. EWING and [redacted] on February 6, and 7, 1958, that his office has been conducting an investigation of the activities of the Downtown Bridge Club, 1423 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, for the past two years. Informant advised that the records of his office reflect that the Downtown Bridge Club was incorporated under the laws of Missouri on June 12, 1953. The incorporators and officers were: ISADORE ROSENBERG, President; ALBERT SKID, Secretary; and ABRAHAM I. SEIGEL, Treasurer, all of Kansas City, Missouri.

T-1 stated that as a result of investigation conducted by his office and as a result of action taken by a Jackson County Grand Jury in October, 1957, Judge HARRY HALL of the Jackson County Court entered a judgment and decree revoking the corporate charter of the Downtown Bridge Club on November 15, 1957. T-1 stated that according to the articles of incorporation the Downtown Bridge Club was originally incorporated for the sole purpose of social, cultural, and educational advancement among its members.

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T-1 related that it was determined that the financial activities including gambling receipts, were handled through the Baltimore Avenue Association. This Baltimore Avenue Association dictated the policies and activities of the Downtown Bridge Club and apparently is also located at 1423 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, consisting of the following individuals:

[redacted] Kansas City Missouri Police  
Department Number [redacted]

[redacted] Kansas City Missouri Police  
Department Number [redacted]

MAX JABIN, Kansas City Missouri Police  
Department Number 25532

[redacted] Kansas City  
Missouri Police Department Number [redacted]

[redacted], Kansas City, Missouri Police  
Department Number [redacted]

MORRIS "SNAG" KLEIN, Kansas City Missouri Police  
Department Number 68944.

[redacted] is a sister of [redacted]  
who was a victim in the case entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
[redacted] - VICTIM; Murder of Potential  
Government Witness, and she and her husband, [redacted]  
are known to have operated gambling games in their residence  
at [redacted] in the 1940's.

A check of the Cross Reference Directory of Greater Kansas City fails to reflect a prefix of CA. There is a CO-2 prefix but no CO-8.

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INFORMANTS:

T-1 is  Assistant County Prosecutor,  
Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, Kansas City, Missouri.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/28/58

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FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-177)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, Was;  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Enclosed to the Bureau are two copies of the report of SA [ ] at Kansas City dated 2/28/58.

Enclosed to the Omaha and Oklahoma City Offices are two copies of this report.

SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

## REFERENCES:

Report of SA [ ] dated 1/10/58, at Omaha.

Omaha teletype to Kansas City dated 2/14/58.

Omaha teletype to Kansas City dated 2/21/58.

Report of SA [ ] dated 2/21/58 at Omaha.

## ADMINISTRATIVE:

Leads are not being set forth to further identify the two women who had lunch with subject at the Muehlebach Hotel on February 22, 1958. Further investigation is being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin.

For the information of the Oklahoma City Office, subject is a Top Hoodlum of the Omaha Division. He is

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- 2 - Omaha (92-74) (2 Encls)
- 2 - Oklahoma City (2 Encls)
- 1 - Kansas City

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white, male, born July 17, 1907, at Chicago, Illinois, 5'3½", 180 pounds, grey straight thick hair, brown eyes, wears glasses with heavy black rims, FBI #1194703, born LUIGI FRATTO. Subject compiled a lengthy arrest record in Chicago dating from 1926 to 1936 for a variety of minor violations, reportedly on the fringes of the CAPONE mob. Subject came to Des Moines, Iowa, in about 1938 or 1939 as LEW FARRELL. He has been active as a beer distributor, in various siding companies, in gambling operations in Des Moines, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska. Activities and reported claims of subject indicate association with various Teamsters Union officials, including alleged personal association with JAMES HOFFA and possible attempts by subject to exert influence in labor matters in Des Moines, Iowa.

LEADS:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:

AT TULSA, OKLAHOMA:

Will review office indices and contact other appropriate sources for background and current information regarding

Will consider possibility of interviewing [redacted] regarding subject and his activities.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Reporting Office <b>CHICAGO</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>3/7/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>1/17, 20, 22, 28; 2/6, 11, 13, 14, 18-20/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>LEW FARRELL, was. E. H. Martin, Luigi Fratto (IN)</b>		Report made by <div></div>	Typed By: <b>gbs/gp</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

Synopsis:

Subject born 7/17/07, Chicago, Illinois, as LUIGI FRATIO. Efforts to determine education not productive to date. No criminal record located at Chicago for subject's parents or sister. Name of subject's brother is [redacted] and married name of sister is [redacted]. Subject's arrest record, Chicago Police Department, set out. Legal proceedings instituted against subject in Federal Court, Chicago, for postal violation in 12/32, resulted in dismissal of charges on 2/14/36. Subject testified at Senate Inquiry into housing scandals in 9/54; excerpts from testimony set out indicating he was connected with questionable so-called home improvement firms. Immediately after testifying on 9/16/54, subject questioned by Homicide Detectives, Chicago Police Department, regarding murders of CHARLES (CHERRY NOSE) GIOE and [redacted] ex-capone hoodlums, but released on writ. ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED [redacted] AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942, THEREFORE CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

The title of this report is shown as changed to show the addition of the alias, [REDACTED] used by the subject at the time of his arrest on March 30, 1933, in Chicago.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

1. Birth Data

Father SCOLA, Pastor, Holy Guardian Angel Church, 717 West Arthington, made available on February 13, 1957, Entry Number 479, Page 123, Volume 5, of Baptismal Register of the Holy Guardian Angel Church. This entry reflects that LUIGI FRATTO was born on July 17, 1907, to TOMMASO FRATTO and BIANCA FAIELLA and was baptized on May 27, 1908, at the Holy Guardian Angel Church.

Records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, City of Chicago, 130 North La Salle Street, were made available on February 6, 1958, by [REDACTED] Chief, Birth Certificate Section. A review of the four index and registers of births contained no reference to the subject. [REDACTED] explained that prior to 1916, it was not mandatory to record births in the City of Chicago, and that the subject's birth in 1907 probably accounted for the fact that his birth was not recorded in the index or registers of birth.

2. Education

[REDACTED] Assistant Administrator, Chicago Board of Education, 228 North La Salle Street, advised on February 6, 1958, that a review by her of records of the Crane High School, the logical high school for the subject to have attended, given his address of 825 South Leavitt, contained no reference to the subject under the various names or aliases he has used. Miss [REDACTED] pointed out that these records were checked for a period extending from 1915 - 1925.

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[redacted] advised on February 13, 1958, that she had checked lists of elementary school graduates for the Crerar, Gregier, Irving and King schools, all of which are located in a radius of two miles of the subject's former residence, 825 South Leavitt Street, and therefore the logical schools for him to have attended, but that no record pertaining to the subject was located.

[redacted] pointed out that records of individual public schools were recently moved from the Board of Education to a basement storage room at the Lafayette School, 2714 West Augusta Boulevard, Chicago, and that these records are in a state of disorder, but that a review of records of the four above named elementary schools might be possible when these records are systematized.

Sister [redacted] Principal, Holy Guardian School, 736 West Artington, advised on February 14, 1958 that school records do not contain any reference to a LOUIS or LOIGH ERATTO under the above or similar spellings. Sister [redacted] pointed out that these records go back only as far as 1922, and are not complete for the early 1920s.

An effort was made to determine where and when the subject attended school through the assistance of T-1, but this source was unable to furnish that information.

### 3. Employment

T-1 advised on February 6 and 13, 1958, that she could not furnish any information regarding the subject's employment in the Chicago area.

### 4. Relatives

Records of the Vagrancy and Arrest Card Section and Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department, do not contain any criminal record pertaining to the following names: CARLEH ERATTO, or variations in spelling of that name: [redacted] or [redacted]

[redacted] or variations in spelling of that name; [redacted]  
[redacted] or variations in spelling of that name.

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Indices of the Chicago Office do not contain any reference to the above names.

T-2 advised that both [redacted] 825 South Leavitt, were self employed as tailors and had reputations in the neighborhood of not assuming their financial obligations, but that during the past two years he has heard nothing concerning [redacted] possibly indicating he may have died.

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Father [redacted] Pastor, Holy Guardian Angel Church, 717 West Arthington, made available on February 19, 1958, a Baptismal Certificate for CARMINE FRATTO, born to TOINIASO FRATTO and BIANCA FAIELLA on March 15, 1906, and baptized on December 9, 1906. This data is recorded under Entry Number 971, Page 200, Volume 4 of the Baptismal Register of the Holy Guardian Angel Church.

E. CRIMINAL RECORD

[redacted] Officer, Bureau of Criminal Information and Statistics, Chicago Police Department, made available on January 17, 1958, vagrancy reports and arrest cards pertaining to the subject under the names LOU FRATTO, LEW FARRELL and variations in spelling of those names. Officer [redacted] pointed out there are nine vagrancy reports for the subject, but that all but three arrest cards concerning those and possibly other arrests are missing from the Arrest Card Section. As a result, Officer [redacted] related, some of the details concerning the arrest and the disposition of the charges are not available, as this information is contained on the arrest cards but not on the vagrancy reports. All of the following Character and Vagrancy reports are maintained under Vagrancy Number 18326 in the Vagrancy Section, Chicago Police Department.

Number 1

Vagrancy report dated March 30, 1933; date of arrest March 29, 1933; charge, defrauding an innkeeper; disposition, not shown; name, LOUIS FRATTO, with alias E. W. Martin; age 26; height 5'5"; weight 160 pounds; complexion dark; hair black; eyes brown; no scars or marks; occupation clerk; hangout 130 North Wells Street.

Number 2

Vagrancy report dated May 28, 1934; date of arrest May 26, 1934; charge, vagrancy; disposition, not shown; remarks: "Stated unemployed and waiting to meet friend. Connected with [redacted] in the Check, Wardroom, Washroom Attendants and Doormen's Union, Local 94, 130 North Wells"; name, LOUIS FRATTO; address 5403 Wellington Avenue; "criminal record, hoodlum and labor racketeer"; hangout, 130 North Wells Street.

Number 3

Vagrancy report dated August 2, 1935; date of arrest, August 1, 1935; charge, investigation; disposition, "released by Deputy Chief of Detectives"; remarks: "accompanied by SAM BATTAGLIA, 569 Gilpin Place, and by JOHN WOLEK, 619 North Racine Avenue. Taken to showups but no identifications made"; name, LOUIS FRATTO; address, 909 Argyle; age 27 years.

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Number 4

Vagrancy report dated March 17, 1936; name, LOUIS FRATTO, with alias COCK EYE LOUIS; address 825 South Leavitt; age 27; criminal classification, con man; date of arrest, March 14, 1936; charge, investigation; remarks: "Observed hanging around Loop all hours of day and night - suspected shake-down man. No legitimate employment for sometime"; disposition, not shown.

Number 5

Vagrancy report dated July 25, 1936; name, LOUIS FRATTO; address 1508 South Spaulding; age 26; hangout, 22nd District; criminal classification, hoodlum; date of arrest, July 24, 1936; charge, investigation; disposition, not shown.

Number 6

Vagrancy report dated December 31, 1936; name LOUIS FRATTO; address 825 South Leavitt; age 28; criminal classification, stickup man; date of arrest, December 30, 1936; charge, investigation; disposition, "pickup for investigation - released when not identified at showup".

Number 7

Vagrancy report dated January 15, 1937; name LOUIS FRATTO, with alias LOUIS FARATO; address 825 South Leavitt; age 28; haunts, 63rd and Woodlawn Avenue; criminal classification, hoodlum; date of arrest, November 15, 1936; charge, "Arrested on GP (general principles) - not employed at time of arrest"; disposition, "Well-known hood, picked up on GP - released November 18, 1936".

Number 8

Vagrancy report dated October 17, 1939; name LOUIS FRATTO, with alias LEW FARRELL - "Known in Des Moines, Iowa, 816 South Leavitt ('determined he does not live here'); date of arrest, October 3, 1939; charge, GP ("pick-up"); remarks: "Stated he had not worked for two years. Claimed to be cigar salesman"; disposition, "released on writ".

Number 9

Vagrancy report dated September 20, 1954; name LOUIS FRATTO, with alias LEW FARRELL, address, 1115 Coulder Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa; age 46; height 5'4"; weight 185 pounds; hair gray and black; eyes brown; marks operation scar, right arm; criminal classification, muscle-man; date of arrest, September 16, 1954; charge, investigation regarding murder of CHARLES (CHERRY NOSE) GIOE and [redacted] disposition, released on writ September 16, 1954.

Sergeant [redacted], Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department, made available on January 17, 1958, an identification record pertaining to the subject. This identification record has the same entries as those shown on FBI Identification Record dated December 17, 1957, which has previously been reported. Officer [redacted] stated that the dispositions of the subject's arrests by the United States Marshal on November 14, 1933, and by the Chicago Police Department on November 15, 1936 and September 16, 1954, are not recorded. The subject's identification records contain the following descriptive data:

Name	LEW FARRELL, with alias LOUIS FRATTO
Address	1115 Coulder Avenue Des Moines, Iowa
Age	46 years
Place of Birth	Chicago, Illinois
Occupation	None
Weight	175 pounds
Hair	Chestnut and gray
Complexion	Ruddy
Marital Status	Married
Build	Medium
Teeth	Partial upper and lower

Records of the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, under Docket Number 27592 and 28778, in cases captioned "U. S. versus [redacted] ET AL" reflects that LOUIS FRATTO was one of several defendants charged with violation of Section 317, Title 18, United States Code, Postal Laws, in that they were found in possession of stolen mail matter, and violation of Section 38, Title 18, United States Code, involving conspiracy to violate said Section. The former violation consisted of eight counts;

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the latter of one count. The stolen mail matter consisted of 19 registered letters containing 143 different items of securities obtained from a holdup of a letter carrier on December 6, 1932, at Clark and Adams Street, Chicago.

The records show that during the above legal proceedings LOUIS FRATTO was represented by [REDACTED] 201 North Wells Street. Following are the people who provided bond for LOUIS FRATTO:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On July 1, 1935, a plea of not guilty was entered as to defendant LOUIS FRATTO.

On February 14, 1936, an order that cause was dismissed as to each defendant was entered in the court of Judge HOLLY on the authority of the Attorney General.

[REDACTED] United States Marshal, Chicago, Illinois, advised on January 20, 1958, that records of his office, which are incomplete, do not contain any reference to the subject by name or aliases.



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C. CRIMINAL ASSOCIATES

It has been reported that the subject may have been associated with the following individuals, as he became the representative for the Canadian Ace Brewery upon his moving to Des Moines, Iowa, from Chicago, in about 1938 or 1939. A review of files of the Chicago Office, including newspaper articles and other information pertaining to these individuals and the Manhattan and Canadian Ace Breweries, give no indication that the subject had a financial interest in these firms or that he was a partner of [redacted] sister of [redacted]

The only information located in the Chicago Office which links the subject to any of the above mentioned individuals or firms was furnished by T-3, another Governmental investigative agency, who reported that information in his possession reflected that the Manhattan Beer Distributing Company of Des Moines, Iowa, was subsidizing tavern owners through the Opportunity Investment, Incorporated. LEW FARRELL was manager of the Manhattan Beer Distributing Company in Des Moines, Iowa. [redacted] and [redacted] of Des Moines, were operators of Opportunity Investment, Incorporated. According to T-3, their reputations were considered bad and they were considered to be of the hoodlum type.

One of the subject's associates is reported to be [redacted] but available information in the files of the Chicago Office lists an [redacted] as the only known brother of ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG, and the Chicago Office has no information to indicate that a [redacted] was involved in operations of the Manhattan or Canadian Ace Breweries or with ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG.

The following is the available information regarding the subject's reported associates:

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ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG

The "Chicago Tribune" of December 10, 1955, referred to ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG as the "business advisor to three generations of criminals", who joined DION O'BANION and MYMIE WEISS in buying into the Manhattan Brewery when legal breweries went out of business. Later, when O'BANION and WEISS were killed gangland style, GREENBERG bought their brewery stock holdings from their widows and relatives and became sole owner of the brewery, the name of which was subsequently changed to Canadian Ace Brewery.

ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG was referred to in an article appearing in the "Chicago American", December 15, 1955, to be the "financial brains of the old Capone mob".

The "Chicago Tribune", January 12, 1956, states that the safe deposit box of ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG, former capone gang figure, was opened and in it were found nearly \$400,000.00 in cash, stocks and bonds. Included in the stocks were 750 shares of Canadian Ace Brewery Company and 765 shares of the Seneca Hotel Corporation, 200 East Chestnut, Chicago.

This article also reports that GREENBERG was slain in gangland fashion on December 8, 1955, as he left the restaurant at 28th Street and Union Avenue.

[REDACTED]

The files of the Chicago Office reflect that Mrs. [REDACTED] was identified on March 21, 1954, [REDACTED] ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG. This information also reflects that the only known [REDACTED] of ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG is one [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

TED VIRGILIO

The "Chicago Tribune" of September 17, 1954, reports that LOUIS FRAPPO and TED VIRGILIO once were associated, but it was said their efforts were not successful in attempting to organize the doormen and checkroom, wardrobe, and washroom attendants.

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JOSEPH PAUL GLINCO, with  
alias Joey Glinco

On March 26, 1957, JOSEPH PAUL GLINCO, along with four other defendants, was found not guilty by a federal court jury on charges of conspiracy to violate the Anti-Racketeering Statute. GLINCO, who is a trustee of Local 777, Taxi Cab Drivers, Maintenance and Garage Helpers Union, has been described by the "Chicago Tribune" as an associate of ANTHONY ACCARDO, PAUL RICCA and other members of the crime "syndicate". The above charges involved conspiring with others to extort money from Fulton Market poultry dealers with threats of labor violence.

D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Miscellaneous

The "Chicago Tribune" of September 17, 1954, states that the closing Chicago sessions of the Senate Inquiry into Federal Housing Scandals featured the arrest of one witness, and then went on to state:

"LUCIFRATTO, alias Lew (Cockeye) Farrell, of Des Moines, alleged Iowa racketeer boss, was taken into custody after he had testified. He was questioned by the Homicide Squad about the recent murders of CHARLES (CHERRY NOSE) GIOE and FRANK DIAMOND, X-Capone hoodlums, and was later released on a writ of habeas corpus.

"FRATTO's testimony before Senator CAPEHART was evasive as were his answers to the homicide detectives who arrested him. He said he had known CHERRY NOSE GIOE as a child in Chicago, but had not seen him in 15 years. He had never heard of DIAMOND, he insisted.

"FRATTO is a former Chicago muscle man and labor organizer. He was arrested in March, 1933, on a charge of defrauding an innkeeper. The charge later was dismissed. Records show a plea of guilty to a petty larceny charge and a conviction on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.....

"A petition for a writ of habeas corpus was filed in criminal court by Attorney GEORGE M. CRATE shortly after the police picked up FRATTO. Acting Chief Justice HARRY HERSHENSON made it returnable for 6:00 p.m. and FRATTO was released at the hour.

"FRATTO added little to the CAPEHART committee's knowledge of the home improvement racket underwritten by FEA loans. His responsive answer was when asked to state his real name, which he gave as LUIGI THOMASO GIUSEPPE FRATTO. He denied connections with night clubs in Des Moines, his present home, and particularly with one called the Main Liner.

"CAPEHART asked the name of the club's owner and FRATTO said it was the cousin of his wife. He said he did not want to give the name..... He finally gave the club owner's name as PETE RAND.

"FRATTO testified that he worked for HAROLD GOLDING, 'one of the finest young men I've ever known', at the Complete Home Remodeling Company in Des Moines in 1952 and 1953. He gave evasive or humorous answers to most questions until CAPEHART snapped at him, 'Cut out the foolishness. It's no fooling matter, as you'll discover before you are through'.

"A few minutes later, however, FRATTO had the audience laughing when SIMON attempted to learn his exact duties in one of the companies he had been associated with.

" 'Were you the top man in your office?' SIMON asked. 'No', FRATTO said. 'Who did you take orders from?' 'Nobody', the witness said. 'Then how did you know what to do?', SIMON demanded. 'We didn't do anything' FRATTO declared....."

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Federal court records maintained at the Federal Records Center, Chicago, were reviewed by Investigative Clerk JOHN E. WHALEY on January 31, 1958.

Arrest Cards and Vagrancy Reports maintained at the Bureau of Criminal Information and Statistics, and records of the Bureau of Identification pertaining to the subject were reviewed by SA [ ] on January 17 and 20, 1958.

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The above mentioned records pertaining to the subject's relatives were reviewed by Investigative Clerk [ ] on January 20, 1958.

Under caption "Associates" it is mentioned that [ ] was identified as [ ] ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG; the source of this information is a memorandum dated March 21, 1944, in case captioned "ALEX LOUIS GREENBERG, wa. Louis Greenberg - RACKET SURVEY".

INFORMANTS

- T-1      Pretext calls by SA [ ] on February 6 and 13, 1958, to the subject's mother, Mrs. BIANCA PRATTO, who stated she would not divulge any information regarding her son, LOUIS PRATTO, without first getting his permission.
- T-2      Records of the Chicago Credit Bureau, Incorporated, made available to Investigative Clerk [ ] by [ ] Clerk, on January 20 and 22, 1958.
- T-3      [ ] Special Investigator, Alcohol Tax Unit, Chicago, Illinois, who was contacted by SAs [ ] DANIEL J. MC GAREY and DELBERT L. WOOD in June and July, 1946.

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LEADS

THE CHICAGO DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

1. Will review Chicago references to [redacted]  
[redacted] Attorney, who represented the subject in 1935 and  
1936; [redacted] Attorney, who represented the subject  
in 1954.
2. Will review references regarding SAM [redacted]  
and JOHN WOLEK, Chicago hoodlums, to determine degree and  
recency of association with subject.
3. Will review references and consider for inter-  
view the following persons, who furnished bail to the subject  
in the early 1930s: [redacted]  
Chicago; [redacted] Chicago;  
[redacted] Chicago.
4. Will continue efforts to determine the subject's  
education.
5. Will attempt to obtain additional information  
regarding the subject's close relatives residing in Chicago,  
including credit, criminal, and any other information  
regarding subject's brother, [redacted]

REFERENCES

Report of SA [redacted] at Omaha dated 1/10/58.  
Bureau letter to Oma a dated 2/4/58.

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Reurlet 3/13/58, requesting Bureau to consider obtaining copies of transcripts of subject's testimony and investigative results of Senate Committees in connection with his appearance before such committees.

It is noted that subject testified before the Senate Crime Committee, Senator Estes Kefauver, Chairman, at Washington, D. C., on March 24, 1951. The subject testified before the Federal Housing Administration Investigating Committee, U. S. Senate, at a closed hearing in Washington, D. C., in August, 1954, and again in open hearing in September, 1954.

The Washington Field should obtain desired copies of transcripts and investigative results and forward same to the Omaha Office.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 13, 1958

FROM : SAC, Omaha (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, was  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Re Omaha reports 1-10-58 and 2-21-58. Subject is Omaha Top Hoodlum.

As set forth in referenced Omaha report of January 10, 1958, subject testified before the Senate Crime Committee, Senator ESTES KEFAUVER, Chairman, at Washington, D. C. on March 24, 1951 and before the Federal Housing Administration Investigative Committee of the United States Senate at a closed hearing in Washington, D. C. in August, 1954 and again in an open hearing in September, 1954. Results of review of newspaper clippings reporting partial transcripts of such hearings were set forth in referenced Omaha report of January 10, 1958.

It would appear that full and official copies of the testimony of subject before the above named committees would be useful to investigation of instant matter, further that results of investigation by the aforementioned committees concerning subject would be of value in this matter.

It is recommended that the Bureau consider obtaining copies of transcripts of subject's testimony and investigative results of these committees and forwarding same to this office for use in instant case.

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TO : Mr. Rosen *2/28/58*

DATE: March 27, 1958

FROM : Mr. Price *2/28/58*SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Reference is made to previous memorandum from Mr. Price to Mr. Rosen dated 2/4/58 and to the report of SA [redacted] dated 2/21/58 at Omaha, both captioned as above.

Subject is a top hoodlum of the Omaha Division and has associated with an acquaintance of Al Capone, various Teamster Union officials, including James Hoffa, various hoodlums from Kansas City, Des Moines, and Omaha, and various former and present members of the Des Moines Police Department. He has recently made two trips of one day's duration, from Omaha to Kansas City, Missouri, where he apparently conferred with Kansas City gamblers.

An active investigation is being conducted concerning subject's activities, including the purpose of the above-mentioned trips to Kansas City.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, was.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>		

Synopsis:

Information furnished re long distance telephone calls from or to subject's residence, Des Moines, Iowa, indicates contact between subject in January and February, 1958, with ISADORE BLUMENFIELD and [redacted] Minneapolis top hoodlums, and contact by subject in 12/57 and January and February, 1958, with RICHARD KAVNER, Teamsters Union Organizer from Kirkwood, Missouri, and in 1/58 with [redacted] Teamsters Union Organizer, Detroit, Michigan. Telephone call review further reflects numerous contacts with officials of Omaha, Nebraska, companies. Additional info set forth re Universal Builders and Supply Company and other companies subject previously associated with. Info furnished re bank records reflect \$1000 check from Center Construction Company, Omaha, deposited in subject's account in 10/57. Informant of opinion subject's influence in Teamsters Union stems from his friendship with [redacted]. Income of subject from 1944 to 1957 set forth. Activities in Omaha 2/28-3/1/58 set forth. Hand-writing specimens obtained. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE, CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS. - P -

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this matter was conducted at Omaha, Nebraska, by SA [REDACTED] at Council Bluffs, Iowa, by SA FORREST L. FOSTER, and the remainder by SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

In regard to confidential informants mentioned herein, Confidential Informants Omaha T-1, T-2, T-9, and T-14 are other Government agencies; Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 has not furnished sufficient information by which to judge his reliability, and all other confidential informants have furnished reliable information in the past.

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

(2) Education

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-1, another Government agency, reviewed March 27, 1958, disclose that during interview of subject on July 13, 1955, by agents of T-1, subject advised he entered the Andrew Jackson Public School in Chicago, Illinois, in the fall of 1914.

(4) Marital Status

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2, another Government agency, reviewed March 12, 1958, disclosed contained therein a report dated October 21, 1953, which reflects results of an interview with subject's father, who reported that subject married when he was very young and that they had a daughter by the name of [REDACTED] and that the marriage lasted only a very short time. Report further reflects that files of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Chicago, Illinois, disclose the birth of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], born September 13, 1929, the child of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

(6) Close Relatives

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3, who has furnished insufficient information by which to judge his reliability, on March 7, 1958, advised he has been acquainted with LEW FARRELL for ten or twelve years and in

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about December, 1956, met with FARRELL and his brother, name now forgotten. T-3 stated this brother had allegedly killed a deputy sheriff in Cook County, Illinois, in the early 1940's and had gotten away with it. He stated he knew nothing other than this and had no other details on it. He said FARRELL's brother had a bad ear and apparently had had an accident in that part of the ear was missing.

See also under "Marital Status" for daughter

[REDACTED]

C. ASSOCIATES

(1) Telephone Calls, November 15, 1957, to January 31, 1958

Information previously reported set out list of telephone calls made from subject's residential telephone during period November 15, 1957, to January 31, 1958, as provided by Confidential Informant Omaha T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past. As will be noted below, information provided by T-4 was not complete for stated period and additional calls for the latter part of January, 1958, are listed elsewhere. Results of investigation pertaining to calls previously listed are set forth below. Listed initially will be the number called, city where located and identifying information regarding telephone number. Additional details regarding subscriber to the number will be set forth either directly below or as indicated.

<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Jackson 1347	Omaha, Nebraska	Center Construction and Supply Company, 2226 S. 16th Street	See under Center Construction Company
[REDACTED]	Omaha	Oddo's Drive-In, 2410 S. 13th Street	See "Associates" under [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	Omaha	St. Joseph's Hospital	See "Associates" under [REDACTED]
Harney 0945	Omaha	Blackstone Hotel	

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<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	<u>Comments</u>
[REDACTED]	Omaha	[REDACTED]	See "Associates" under [REDACTED]
Walnut 7481	Omaha	LARRY MITILIER 6269 Pine Street	See "Associates" under LARRY MITILIER
[REDACTED]	Omaha	[REDACTED]	See "Associates" under [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	Norwalk, Iowa	[REDACTED] Cumming, Iowa	See "Associates" under [REDACTED]
Anthony 7364	Fort Wayne, Indiana	Globe Auto Glass	See below
Yorktown 5-5604	Kirkwood, Missouri	RICHARD KAVNER 466 Julian Place	See "Associates" under RICHARD KAVNER
Federal 2-8911	Minneapolis, Minnesota	Loring Liquor Store, 1370 Nicollet Avenue	See "Associates" under [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	Buffalo, New York	[REDACTED] Kenmore, New York	See below
Mohawk 0027	Buffalo, New York	Coin Box Telephone Amigore's Cafe Continental 212 Franklin Street	See below

Source for information regarding identity of above-listed telephone numbers is as follows:

Omaha numbers - Confidential Informant Omaha T-5;  
Norwalk, Iowa, number - Confidential Informant Omaha T-4;

Kirkwood, Missouri, number - Confidential  
Informant Omaha T-6;  
Fort Wayne, Indiana, number - Confidential  
Informant Omaha T-7;  
Minneapolis, Minnesota, number - Minneapolis  
Telephone Directory.

Information regarding certain of the subscribers referred to above is set forth below:

Globe Auto Glass, Indianapolis, Indiana

Investigation conducted at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

By pretext call, it was determined that Anthoney 7364 is the number of the Globe Auto Glass Company, 1220 Webster Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Neither the current city directory nor phone book for Fort Wayne lists a Globe Auto Glass Company.

On March 12, 1958, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Fort Wayne, Incorporated, advised that the Globe Auto Glass Company started in business in Fort Wayne in late 1957. According to her, the local office is a branch of the Globe Auto Glass Company, 2501 South Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois, and the local manager is [redacted]

[redacted] said that the above is a legitimate firm as far as she knows and the credit records for same are very satisfactory. She stated that her office has maintained a file on [redacted] since October, 1957, and that he started with Globe Auto Glass Company here in November, 1957. Her records indicate that [redacted] resides at the Poagston Arms Apartment Building in Fort Wayne and was previously the president of the Fender Skirt Company of Detroit, Michigan, for five years. She said her file indicates that [redacted] previously resided at Norman, Oklahoma, however, she has no indication of his occupation there. She stated that [redacted] credit record is excellent.

On March 12, 1958, Lieutenant [redacted] Records, Fort Wayne Police Department, advised that his files contain no information regarding [redacted]



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It was determined by physical observation that the Globe Auto Glass Company shares a building at 1220 Webster with the Concourse Motors Company, a dealer in Volkswagens. Globe Auto Glass advertises glass for home and industry.

[redacted] Kenmore, New York

Investigation conducted at Buffalo, New York.

[redacted] was assigned to [redacted]

[redacted] Kenmore, New York, or [redacted]

[redacted] now resides at [redacted] Buffalo, and is assigned telephone number [redacted]. The bills for both telephones are sent to the Central Union Opticians, [redacted] Buffalo. The number change took place on [redacted] and is Special Non-Published number.

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The Buffalo Office indices are negative on [redacted]. He has no credit record in Buffalo and no criminal record, Buffalo. He is employed, according to the telephone company records, as a technician at the Central Union Opticians.

Amigone's Cafe Continental, Buffalo, New York

Investigation conducted at Buffalo New York.

MOhawk 0027 is a Special Non-Published coin box telephone at Amigone's Cafe Continental, 212 Franklin Street, Buffalo. This location is used as a hangout for street walkers and gamblers but has no known hoodlum connections.

(2) Telephone Calls, January 14, 1958, to March 12, 1958

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 on March 31, 1958, advised the following long distance telephone calls were made from Atlantic 2-5937, which phone is listed to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa. The period involved is from January 14, 1958, to March 12, 1958.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Time (Approx.)</u>
1/14/58	Chicago, Illinois	MO 6-7348	-----	4 p.m. (17 min.)
1/14/58	Buffalo, New York	<div></div>	<div></div>	11 a.m.
1/14/58	Detroit, Michigan			3 p.m. (13 min.)
1/16/58	Detroit (call made from Des Moines CH 3-2283, by LEW FARRELL but charged to AT 2-5937)			11 a.m.
1/18/58	Kansas City, Missouri	HA 1-2388 and VA 1-6992	Dr. D. M. NIGRO	9 a.m.
1/19/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090	-----	2 p.m. (4 min.)
1/22/58	Omaha, Nebraska	OR 3500	<div></div>	10 a.m. (10 min.)
1/23/58	Minneapolis, Minnesota	<div></div>		12 noon
1/25/58	Buffalo	<div></div>	-----	11 a.m.
1/27/58	Detroit		<div></div>	4 p.m. (7 min.)
1/30/58	Omaha	OR 6301	-----	10 a.m. (5min.)
2/3/58	Omaha	OR 3500	-----	1 p.m.
2/4/58	Omaha	OR 3500	-----	11 a.m.
2/6/58	Omaha	<div></div>	<div></div>	7 p.m. ( 9 min.)
2/7/58	Omaha	WA 7418	LARRY	8 a.m.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Time (Approx.)</u>
2/8/58	Omaha	WA 7418	LARRY	8 a.m.
2/8/58	Omaha	OR 3500	LARRY	10 a.m.
2/12/58	Omaha	HA 0945	-----	5 p.m.
2/13/58	Omaha	HA 0945	LEW FARRELL	7 a.m.
2/15/58	Minneapolis			11 a.m.
2/16/58	Kirkwood, Missouri	YO 5-5604	-----	11 a.m.
2/17/58	Minneapolis			10 a.m.
2/17/58	Detroit	TE 1-5716	-----	9 a.m.
2/18/58	Detroit	TE 1-5716	-----	9 a.m.
2/18/58	Chicago			12 noon (11 min.)
2/18/58	Omaha	OR 3500	LARRY	11 a.m.
2/19/58	Omaha	WA 7418 and OR 3500	-----	8 a.m.
2/24/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090	-----	9 a.m.
2/24/58	Omaha	WE 0600	-----	8 a.m.
2/28/58	Omaha	WA 7418	-----	8 a.m.
3/12/58	Omaha	OR 3500	-----	4 p.m.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 advised March 31, 1958, that Des Moines telephone number CH 3-2283 is listed to Thriftway Grocery Warehouse Number 1 at 1 Second Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

Where two numbers are listed, such as on January 18, 1958, information furnished was that attempt was made originally to first number for person called and second number tried successfully after original attempt failed to locate party called.

(3) Associates' background

Set forth below, names, addresses and background information on persons currently or previously associated with subject. Source material for background information are credit and police agency records in Des Moines, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska, records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-8 and newspaper clippings of the Des Moines Register and Des Moines Tribune. This list will include individuals identified as subscribers to telephone numbers which were called from subject's residential telephone number during the period November 15, 1957, to January 31, 1958.

(a) Legitimate Activities

(a)

[REDACTED]  
Des Moines, Iowa

[REDACTED] of subject,  
[REDACTED] subject in  
Superior Distributing  
Company, Des Moines, May,  
1950, to May, 1951.  
Operates the Rite  
Beverage Company and Rite-  
Flo Manufacturing  
Companies, Des Moines.  
Credit rating all prompt;  
no criminal record, Des  
Moines.

(b) JACK S. WOLFE  
5400 Harwood Drive  
Des Moines, Iowa

Self-admitted partner with  
FARRELL in the Aluminum  
Associates and Universal  
Builders, Inc. Deceased  
June 17, 1957.

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(a) Legitimate Activities (Continued)

(c) [REDACTED]

Named by FARRELL as the man for whom he worked in firm "Complete Home Remodeling." Investigation to date has failed to locate record of this individual connected with that firm.

(d) [REDACTED]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Reportedly born [REDACTED] Birmingham, Alabama, employed Chicago 1947 to 1950 as a construction broker; from 1950 to 1951 as salesman for National Roofing and Siding Co., New Orleans, and to have commenced operations with Complete Home Remodeling Co., Des Moines in September, 1952, with investment of [REDACTED]. FARRELL has claimed he worked for [REDACTED] in this company. Took bankruptcy February, 1956; Federal and state tax liens outstanding; employed by United Builders Supply, Des Moines. No criminal record, Des Moines.

(e) ISADORE M. COHEN  
3800 Franklin  
Des Moines, Iowa

Named as associate of subject in Aluminum Associates and Universal Builders, Inc. Deceased February 6, 1956.

(f) [REDACTED]  
Iowa City, Iowa

Named as associate of subject in Aluminum Associates and Universal Builders, Inc. Articles of Incorporation on file in Douglas County, Nebraska, name [REDACTED] as a Director of Universal Builders, Inc.

(g) GIOVANNI D'ERCOLE  
119 N. 38th Street  
Omaha, Nebraska

One "JOHN D'ARCO" was named by FARRELL as President of Universal Builders, Inc. Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-9, another Government agency, disclose D'ERCOLE was a Vice President of that company in 1954. D'ERCOLE and D'ARCO believed same individual.

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(a.) Legitimate Activities (Continued)

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[REDACTED]  
Omaha, Nebraska

With [REDACTED] purchased stock interest of [REDACTED] in Universal Builders and Supply Company on February 1, 1954; became president of this company. Born Nebraska, 1915; until 1946 employed by the Central Construction Co.; 1946 to 1949 salesman for General Builders and Supply Co.; 1949 to 1954 salesman for Universal Builders and Supply Co. Deposited in subject's checking account September 30, 1957, was check dated September 30, 1957, for \$500.00 payable to subject, signed [REDACTED]. No criminal record, Omaha.

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[REDACTED]  
Omaha, Nebraska  
aka Joseph Dinova

With [REDACTED] purchased stock interest of TONY ODDO in Universal Builders and Supply Co. on February 1, 1954, became Vice President and Treasurer. Born Nebraska, 1912; until 1951 was salesman for Central Construction Co. No criminal record, Omaha.

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LARRY MITILIER  
6269 Pine Street  
Omaha, Nebraska

Manager of Universal Builders and Supply Co from its beginning in 1951. In 1948 operated Blossom Seas Tavern, Omaha. As of June, 1957, was Supervisor of Construction and Sales for the Center Construction Co., Omaha; as of July, 1957, no longer with Center Construction Co.; currently President of the Miller Survey Co. (building contractors), 6005 Center Street. (Note: This is same address as Center Construction Co. and Record Realty Co.)

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(a) Legitimate Activities (Continued)

## (j) LARRY MITILIER (Continued)

Received two telephone calls from subject's residence on December 13, 1957; one on December 17, 1957, all while a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha, and a call to his residence from subject's residence on November 26, 1957. No criminal record, Omaha. Additional calls to "LARRY" at his home phone or ORchard 3500 on January 22 and February 7, 8, 18, 19 and 28, 1958.

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[redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska

[redacted] of the Center Construction and Supply Co. and of the Record Realty Co., located at 6005 Center Street, Omaha. Telephone calls were made from subject's residence to the Center Construction Co. on November 15, 1957; December 27, 1957, and January 11, 1958; further a telephone call was made on November 15, 1957, to [redacted] residence. Check dated October 21, 1957, for \$1000.00 payable to subject and signed by name appearing as [redacted] was deposited in subject's bank account October 22, 1957. No criminal record located, Omaha.

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[redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska

Telephone call from subject's residence on November 15, 1957, to Omaha number subscriber, [redacted] caller. [redacted] reportedly asked for [redacted] This address is residential address of [redacted], above.

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(a) Legitimate Activities (Continued)

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[redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska

Telephone calls were made from subject's residence to telephone number of Oddo's Drive-In, 2410 S. 13th Street, Omaha, on December 30 and 31, 1957; caller asked for [redacted] call also made on January 3, 1958, to number listed to [redacted]

[redacted] Omaha, at which time caller asked for [redacted] Surveillance of subject in Omaha disclosed [redacted] was with subject at Hotel Blackstone, Omaha, on March 1, 1958. [redacted] has Omaha Police Department [redacted] which department records reflect arrest by Prohibition Bureau, Internal Revenue October 28, 1932, for manufacturing liquor; arrest by U. S. Marshal February 15, 1933, Omaha, for violation Title 18, Section 51, U. S. Code. Of particular interest is information developed that [redacted] as of December, 1951, was Secretary and Treasurer of Universal Builders and Supply Company; as of January, 1952, he was President, Secretary and Treasurer of this company, and as of February, 1954, sold out his interest in the company to [redacted]

(n)

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

[redacted] along with LEW FARRELL and [redacted] was arrested April 26, 1948, and charged with conspiracy by illegally operating gambling house; FARRELL named as partner of [redacted] in operation of Sports Arcade, Des Moines. FBI 512 4301. Operates Hymie's Drive-In, 4701 Fleur Drive, Des Moines. FARRELL has listed his occupation as "drive-in operator" and 1957 Des Moines City Directory lists FARRELL's occupation as [redacted] Drive-In."



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(b) Alleged or Possible Criminal Activities

ISADORE BLUMENFIELD, wa.  
I. F. Bloom  
5900 Oakland Avenue South  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
(telephone TA 7-2012)

BLUMENFIELD is subject of an Anti-Racketeering Investigation by the Minneapolis Division. He is described as one of the two most powerful members in "The Combination," a Minneapolis group composed of BLUMENFIELD and four others, including his brother, [redacted] this group, per information furnished by Minneapolis Division, invests in off-sale liquor stores and bars in Minneapolis and has choice liquor store locations in Minneapolis; further owns large real estate investments in Miami, Florida, and elsewhere. Confidential Informant Omaha T-10 advised a telephone call was made January 23, 1958, from BLUMENFIELD residence, Minneapolis, to Des Moines, Iowa, telephone [redacted] and asked for "LOU". This number is that of LEW FARRELL's residence. T-10 further advised a call was made from BLUMENFIELD's residence, Minneapolis, to Des Moines telephone [redacted] and asked for "LOUIE". This number is that of [redacted]

next-door neighbor of subject FARRELL.

[redacted]  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

[redacted] is brother of ISADORE BLUMENFIELD, see above, and described as the other of the two most important members of "The Combination" in Minneapolis. Investigation previously reported disclosed that telephone call was made from FARRELL's

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(b) Alleged or Possible Criminal Activities (Continued)

[redacted] (Continued)

Des Moines residence on November 29, 1957, to Minneapolis telephone number [redacted] and party asked for was [redacted]

Calls made January 23, 1958, to Minneapolis telephone [redacted] and [redacted] asked for, and on February 17, 1958, to Minneapolis telephone numbers [redacted] and [redacted] party requested.

BLOOM also subject of Anti-Racketeering Investigation by Minneapolis Division.

J. J. SWIFT

Named as one of FARRELL's partners in Downtown Businessmen's Club. [redacted] Des Moines Register reporter, advised on March 13, 1958, SWIFT is deceased.

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Named as one of FARRELL's partners in Downtown Businessmen's Club; newsclipping of Des Moines Register in Des Moines Police Department file on [redacted] dated April 14, 1943, reflects raid on Belmont Club, 547-1/2 Fifth, Des Moines; further that club a gambling operation operated by several men including [redacted] supra, advised March 13, 1958, [redacted] around Des Moines, possibly loafs around Greenwood Tavern.

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[REDACTED]  
aka [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Newspaper articles name as one of several partners of FARRELL in operation of Downtown Businessmen's Club, alleged gambling spot in 1940's in Des Moines. Des Moines Police Department records indicate arrests from 1929 to 1942 primarily for operating a gambling house. Polk County Sheriff's Office reflects his number as 2681, but file has been destroyed.

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(b) Alleged or Possible Criminal Activities (Continued)

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Named as one of FARRELL's partners in Downtown Businessmen's Club. In Des Moines since 1929; currently a salesman for Friedman's Motors, Des Moines; formerly operated Club 100, a tavern; former boxing promoter; took bankruptcy in 1951; state tax lien outstanding; has record of several liquor violations.

[redacted]

All named as among FARRELL's partners in Downtown Businessmen's Club. [redacted] supra, advised March 13, 1958, [redacted] in Colorado Springs, Colorado; [redacted] in Las Vegas, Nevada; [redacted] in State of California.

[redacted]  
Omaha, Nebraska  
FBI [redacted]

FARRELL reported to have been "muscling in" on [redacted] bookie operations in Omaha in 1952. [redacted] in Omaha Top Ten Hoodlum, reported in January, 1958, to be currently engaged in gambling and bookie operations in Omaha.

(c) Labor Officials

RICHARD KAVNER  
466 Julian Place  
Kirkwood, Missouri  
(Telephone YOrktown  
-5-5604)


As previously reported, KAVNER alleged to have been associated with FARRELL in illegal conspiracy in Des Moines in 1956 in dealings between employers and Teamsters Union. As previously reported, telephone calls from FARRELL's residence on December 23, 1957, January 5, 1958, and January 7, 1958, were placed to Kirkwood, Missouri, telephone YOrktown 5-5604, and party asked for

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(c) Labor Officials (Continued)

RICHARD KAVNER (Continued)

was "DICK." St. Louis Division has reported this number listed to RICHARD KAVNER, 466 Julian Place, Kirkwood; further that inquiry of P. A. BAY, Secretary, Joint Council of Teamsters, St. Louis, identified KAVNER as an organizer in Teamsters Union who works directly under JAMES HOFFA and who travels a great deal of the time. Call also made from subject's residential phone to KAVNER phone on February 16, 1958.

 Teamsters Union official to whom calls apparently directed from subject's residential telephone on January 14, 16 and 27, 1958. For additional information, see under "Labor."

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(d) MISCELLANEOUS

[REDACTED]

Des Moines, Iowa

Chairman of Testimonial Dinner for FARRELL in October, 1957; reported to be key club operator, Des Moines; in December, 1957, fined \$300.00 for violation Liquor Control Act.

[REDACTED]

Des Moines, Iowa

Des Moines attorney. As of July 15, 1949, was President of Des Moines Leaders Club. Presented plaque to FARRELL at testimonial dinner in October, 1957. Reported to meet frequently with FARRELL at Aunt Francis Cafe, Des Moines.

[REDACTED]

Des Moines, Iowa

FBI investigation in 1955 disclosed FARRELL apparently could be reached telephonically at the Iowa Garage Builders Company in June 1955. then operated by

[REDACTED] reported [REDACTED] Iowa Garage Builders Company which [REDACTED] started in October, 1953; trade name of company changed July, 1956, to Federal Builders Supply Company, 3823 Southwest 9th, Des Moines.

[REDACTED]

Des Moines, Iowa

See under [REDACTED] in June, 1955, considered co-operator of Iowa Garage Builders. FARRELL in June, 1954, advised Confidential Informant Omaha T-8 that property at Southwest 7th and Indianola, location of Des Moines office of Universal Builders and Supply Company, was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] per 1957 City Directory is operator of Willie's Pizzeria, Southwest 7th and Indianola, named as a FARRELL hangout; Credit Bureau records March, 1958, indicate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] the Green Parrot

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[redacted] (continued)

Tavern, 202 8th. Des Moines,  
along with one [redacted]

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Next door neighbor of FARRELL's.  
[redacted] telephone number of  
[redacted] was called from resi-  
dence of ISADORE BLUMENFIELD,  
Minneapolis, supra, in 1958.  
[redacted] is Drake University  
graduate of 1949. [redacted]  
until 1957; [redacted]

[redacted] by G and C Roofing  
and Painting Company, Des Moines.  
No criminal record, Des Moines.

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

FARRELL entertained in [redacted]  
hotel room at Blackstone Hotel,  
Omaha, evening of [redacted]  
1958, and [redacted] and FARRELL to-  
gether for dinner and drinks  
remainder of that evening. [redacted]  
is Des Moines manager of Pure  
Carbonic Company, 1000 Cherry,  
Des Moines, a division of Air  
Reduction Company, which position  
held since 1939. Credit excellent.  
Sheriff's Office and Police Depart-  
ment, Des Moines, reflect no arrest  
record.

[redacted]  
Hotel, Omaha,  
Nebraska

Blackstone Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska,  
is luxury hotel in residential  
area, Omaha. [redacted]  
were with [redacted] and  
wife (see above) during evening  
February 28, 1958, at Blackstone  
Hotel.

[redacted]  
Cumming, Iowa

Telephone call made from subject's  
residence phone January 7, 1958,  
to residence of [redacted] at Cumming,  
Iowa. [redacted] is partner and legal  
adviser to Cass and Company,  
real estate, 5433 East Fleur  
Drive, Des Moines; former Assist-  
ant Attorney General, State of Iowa.

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(4) Testimonial Dinner, October 6, 1957

The records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 reviewed March 12, 1958, reflect information was furnished on October 10, 1957, by Reporter [ ] of the Des Moines Register newspaper regarding the testimonial dinner for LEW FARRELL, wherein [ ] is quoted as stating in effect, "The affair was FARRELL's inspiration and the entire affair was under his direction and the proceeds were for his benefit; that many tickets were probably bought by those who thought it was good politics to purchase them; that no prominent citizens were there; that none of the Italian restaurant operators were present, such as [ ] [ ] or [ ] that the entire audience was composed of tavern owners, 'thugs' and 'scum'; further that among those present were [ ] the widow of 'CHERRY NOSE' GIOE, and some 'thugs' from Omaha."

(E) LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

(1) Beer Distributor

Canadian Ace Beer Company

Referral/Consult

Superior Distributing Company

As previously reported, records of the County Recorder's Office, Polk County Courthouse, Des Moines, Iowa, reflect the Superior Distributing Company, a partnership consisting of partners, [ ] and LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, was filed in the Index to Trade Names on May 19, 1950, by instrument dated May 17, 1950. As previously reported, this partnership was dissolved in May, 1951.



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Referral/Consult

(2) Siding CompaniesUniversal Builders and Supply Company, Inc.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-11, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in March, 1958, that captioned company was a Nebraska corporation chartered on October 29, 1951, under the name of Universal Builders, Inc., and that the name was amended to Universal Builders and Supply, Inc., on December 15, 1951, with an authorized capital stock of \$15,000.00.

The records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 reviewed on March 14, 1958, contain a letter dated January 10, 1958, on the letterhead of the Allied Builders Credits, Inc., 14th and Farnam, Omaha, Nebraska, which letter is signed [redacted] and which reports information in the possession of that company concerning the Universal Builders and Supply, Inc., 412 South 10th Street, Omaha. The letter reads in part as follows: "This dealership was approved by this office for FHA and ABC service on December 19, 1951, under the name of Universal Builders and Supply Company, whose officers appear as [redacted] and TONY ODDO, Secretary and Treasurer. In January, 1952, we were advised there was a change in officers with TONY ODDO appearing as [redacted]

[redacted] In February, 1954, we were advised that the interest of TONY ODDO and [redacted] had been purchased by [redacted] and [redacted] and they appear as President, Vice President, and Treasurer..."

Douglas County incorporation records maintained in the office of the County Clerk, Douglas County Courthouse, Book 40, Page 549, revealed that Articles of Incorporation for Universal Builders, Inc., were filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State on October 29, 1951, and recorded in the files of that office, Lincoln, Nebraska, in Book 181, Page 367, entitled "Miscellaneous Incorporations."

The following data pertaining to this company was obtained from the Articles of Incorporation:

Place of Business - 412 South 10th Street, Omaha.

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Resident Agent - HARRY STROIMAN, same address.

Purpose - To engage in the sale and application of aluminum siding and other types of siding; to deal in aluminum and metal products, builders' supplies, and materials, etc.

Capital Stock - \$10,000.00

Names and Addresses of Incorporators -

1. JACK WOLFE, Des Moines, Iowa - President.
2. I. M. COHEN, Des Moines, Iowa - Secretary-Treasurer.
3. LOUIS SCHULMAN, Iowa City, Iowa - Vice President.

Names and Addresses of Directors -

1. JACK WOLFE, Des Moines, Iowa (mentioned above).
2. I. M. COHEN, Des Moines, Iowa (mentioned above).
3. WILLIAM RICHARDS, Des Moines, Iowa.
4. LOUIS SCHULMAN, Iowa City, Iowa (mentioned above).
5. HARRY STROIMAN, Omaha, Nebraska.

Book 41, Page 101, of the Douglas County incorporation records, contains a Certificate of Dissolution for Universal Builders, Inc., Omaha, which was filed by the Nebraska Secretary of State December 17, 1951, and recorded in the files of that office in Book 182, Page 216, "Miscellaneous Incorporations."

Douglas County incorporation records, Book 41, Page 76, reveal Articles of Incorporation for Universal Builders and Supply, Inc., Omaha, were filed with the Nebraska Secretary of State December 15, 1951, and recorded in the files of that office in Book 182, Page 210, "Miscellaneous Incorporations."

Names and Addresses of Incorporators -

1. ROSE O'NEIL, 3158 Arcadia Avenue, Omaha.
2. IRVING B. EPSTEIN, 3314 Florence Boulevard, Omaha.

Principal Place of Business - Omaha, Nebraska.

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General Nature of Business - To own, operate, and carry on the business of builders and contractors for the purpose of building, erecting, altering, or doing any work in connection with any and all classes of buildings and improvements of any kind.

Capital Stock - \$50,000.00

Resident Agent - IRVIN C. LEVIN, 300 Brandeis Theater Building.

Included in the files of Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 is a carbon copy of an FHA Title 1 dealer application dated March 19, 1954, which sets forth the following information concerning the Universal Builders and Supply, Inc., as follows:

The company had been located at 412 South 10th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, for three years; its officers were: [redacted] President, residence 140 North 33rd Street, Omaha; [redacted] Vice President, residence [redacted] Street, Omaha; and [redacted] Secretary, residence, [redacted] Omaha. The sales area of the company was Iowa and Nebraska; the company had a branch located at Southwest 7th and Indianola Road, Des Moines.

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 contain a letter dated October 14, 1954, from [redacted] of Universal Builders, 412 South 10th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, which letter states in part, "...this company has not had a branch office in Des Moines since May 26 of this year..."

In this connection, it should be noted information set forth in detail elsewhere in this report discloses information provided by Confidential Informant Omaha T-12, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in the form of photostat copies of state income tax returns for subject, included tax return for 1954 filed April 12, 1955, which shows the following pertaining to Universal Builders:

Subject's income included \$800.00 in wages from Universal Builders and Supply, Inc., and \$2,301.49 from Universal Builders of Des Moines. Attached as a part of the tax return was a schedule of profit which pertained to the operation of Universal Builders of Des Moines, Southwest 7th and Indianola Road, Des Moines, which set forth data pertaining to gross receipts, cost of merchandise and the listing of other expenses including rent, commissions paid, travel and entertainment, and so on, indicating operation of the business by subject as owner and not employee.

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-11 advised that LARRY MITILIER managed the Universal Builders and Supply Company from 1951 on but had no stock interest. T-11 further advised that records reveal that inquiry in March, 1955, disclosed that Universal Builders and Supply Company was no longer in business at 412 South 10th Street; that its bank account was discontinued; that all liabilities had been met and that no new location had been ascertained.

Aluminum Associates Company

The records of the Douglas County Clerk's Office (Company Partnerships and Firm Certificate Records, Book 5, Page 544), Omaha, disclosed that Aluminum Associates, a partnership, filed a firm certificate in Douglas County, Nebraska, on October 24, 1951.

General Nature of Business - Aluminum siding.

Principal Place of Business - 412 South 10th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

1. [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.
2. [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.
3. [redacted] Iowa City, Iowa

Interstate Siding Company

The list of foreign corporations and agents doing business in Nebraska, on file with the Douglas County Registrar of Deeds Office, contained no listing for the above company.

The list of local corporations and partnerships on file in the County Clerk's Office of Douglas County, Nebraska, contains no listing for Interstate Siding Company.

[redacted] Credit Bureau, Council Bluffs, Iowa, on March 25, 1958, advised records there reveal no information on the Interstate Siding Company.

[redacted] Pottawattamie County Recorder, Council Bluffs, Iowa, on March 25, 1958, advised records of that office contain no information regarding this company.

The City Directories of Council Bluffs, Iowa, issued in 1950, 1952, and 1954, reveal no listing for an Interstate Siding Company.

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(3) Construction Company

Center Construction Company, Omaha, Nebraska

Records of Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 reviewed March 14, 1958, contain therein a handwritten note dated February 2, 1955, which reads, [redacted] (on pre-cautionary) talked to [redacted] today about a job. He also gave this information about LEW FARRELL - he is now running Center Construction Company at same address as Universal Builders and Supply in Omaha. (signed) [redacted]

Information made available on March 19, 1958, by Confidential Informant Omaha T-13, who has furnished reliable information in the past, disclosed that among deposits to the checking account of subject at the Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, was a deposit made on October 22, 1957, of a check for \$1,000.00 which check was dated October 21, 1957, on the account the Center Construction Company at 6005 Center Street, Omaha, Nebraska; check is payable to "LEW FARRELL" and signature appears to be [redacted]"

Information previously made available by Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 disclosed that telephone calls were made from subject's residential telephone on November 15, 1957, December 27, 1957, and January 11, 1958, to Omaha, Nebraska, number Jackson 1347. Inquiry at Omaha, Nebraska, established that this telephone number is listed to the Center Construction and Supply Company, 2226 South 16th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, [redacted]

Of possible significance is information contained in the files of Confidential Informant Omaha T-14, who has furnished reliable information in the past, which includes a memorandum dated June 17, 1957, where LARRY MITILIER was listed as being employed as Supervisor of Construction and Sales for the Center Construction Company, Omaha; an additional memorandum dated July 5, 1957, stated that MITILIER was no longer associated with the Center Construction Company. However, it should be noted that among telephone calls from subject's residential phone as reported by Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 was one on November 26, 1957, to Walnut 7418 listed to LARRY MITILIER, 6269 Pine Street, Omaha; two calls on December 13, 1957, and one on December 17, 1957, to MITILIER as a patient in St. Josephs Hospital, Omaha. In this connection it may be noted that LARRY MITILIER is reported to be the President of the Miller Survey Company located at 6005 Center Street, same location as that of the Center Construction Company.

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Information in addition to that set forth above was made available on March 31, 1958, by Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 which is possibly pertinent to subject's interest in this company, inasmuch as it discloses additional telephone calls from subject's residential telephone to this company or to persons possibly having an interest in this company as follows:

On February 6, 1958, call to Jackson 1347, business phone of the company and asked for [redacted] on January 22 and February 7, 8, 18, 19, and 28, 1958, calls to "LARRY", presumably LARRY MITILIER, referred to above.

(4) Restaurant

Hymie's Drive-In, Des Moines, Iowa

During the early evening of March 30, 1958, subject was observed by SA MAURICE E. MURPHY at Hymie's Drive-In restaurant, 4701 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa, at which time subject was working in the kitchen of the restaurant as a cook.

(5) Activities in Labor Union Field

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3, who has furnished insufficient information to judge the reliability of his information, on March 7, 1958, advised he has been acquainted with LEW FARRELL for about ten or twelve years, having met him through a siding and home improvement business in which they were associated. He stated he usually has dinner with FARRELL in Des Moines when he is there but has not had occasion to do so for more than a year and is not acquainted with his recent activities. T-3 stated FARRELL is a close friend of [redacted] of the Teamsters Union, and that it would be his opinion that any consideration FARRELL might have from the Teamsters Union would stem from [redacted] T-3 stated it was his understanding that FARRELL was the handler of a charter for the Teamsters Union in the Iowa area, but had received so much publicity that he had lost out on this or would have to have someone front the operation for him.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-15, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 28, 1958 advised he had recently sought the assistance of LEW FARRELL in connection with the picketing of a project in Iowa. He stated FARRELL had made efforts to assist by arranging meetings with various union officials in Des Moines with T-15, but that

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nothing had been solved and in T-15's opinion, FARRELL had not appeared to wield much influence. T-15 stated, however, that the difficulty in this matter had not involved the Teamsters Union and that quite possibly FARRELL might have been able to provide more substantial assistance had the trouble involved Teamsters Union personnel.

As set forth elsewhere in the report, information provided by Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 has disclosed telephone calls made from FARRELL's residential telephone to the following individuals identified and further described elsewhere in the report as officials of the Teamsters Union:

On December 23, 1957, January 5, 1958, and February 16, 1958, to residential phone of RICHARD KAVNER, Kirkwood, Missouri, described as an Organizer for the Teamsters Union who works directly under JAMES HOFFA.

On January 14, 16, and 27, 1958, to [redacted] [redacted] Detroit, Michigan, previously described as a Teamsters Union Organizer.

Investigation by the Detroit Division on March 3, 1958, included a review of the arrest record of [redacted] [redacted] Detroit Police Department Number 129127, which shows the following arrests:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

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The Detroit Office further advised that the August 26, 1957 final edition of the "Detroit News" under the byline of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] carried an article entitled, "HOFFA Faces Second Round; Here's Resume of Quiz," which article, in part, quotes CARMINSE S. BELLINO, Investigator-Accountant of the Senate Rackets Committee, as describing BAKER as a "hoodlum, stench bomb thrower and union goon from St. Louis and New York."

(6) Unknown Business Activity

As previously reported, information was received on February 1, 1958, from Confidential Informant Omaha T-16, who has furnished reliable information in the past, that he had gained the impression in a conversation with FARRELL recently that FARRELL had some sort of a lucrative business connection with his brother in Chicago, Illinois, but that he did not know the nature of the business.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on March 7, 1958, advised he had met with FARRELL and FARRELL's brother at the Blackstone Hotel in Omaha in about December, 1956, at which time the brother discussed an aluminum business in Illinois which FARRELL's brother apparently headed.



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Details of State returns set forth below.

Income Tax Returns, State of Iowa:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-12 on March 27, 1958, furnished information pertaining to income tax returns filed by the subject with the State of Iowa for the period 1951 to 1957. T-12 advised subject did not file a return for the years 1952 or 1955. T-12 made available photostat copies of returns filed by the subject for the years 1953, 1954, and 1956, which will be referred to in detail below:

Tax Return for 1951:

Made out in name of LEW and [REDACTED] FARRELL, 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, signed by them under date of June 11, 1952, stamped into State Tax Office, June 18, 1952, and under income bears the following "None."

Tax Return for 1953:

Return is made out in name of LEW and [REDACTED] FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa; bears signature of [REDACTED] Des Moines, as the individual who prepared the return; bears signature of subject and wife, dated March 11, 1954; bears stamp of State Tax Commission dated March 17, 1954.

The return lists subject's occupation as office manager, his Social Security Number as 482-40-3723, and his employer's name as Complete Home Remodeling and total wages received as \$5,000.00. Attached to return is a withholding tax receipt bearing typed in figures of salaries as \$3,600.00 and federal income tax withheld as \$364.00; however, typed figure of \$3,600.00 is crossed out and handwritten beside it is the figure \$5,200.00; payor of this amount designated as: [REDACTED] Complete Home Remodeling Company, Southwest 7th and Indianola Road, Des Moines, Iowa.

Deductions listed on the return believed possibly pertinent are as follows: Under interest, the Insurance Plan Savings and Loan for \$563.50; under federal income taxes, \$182.77; under real estate taxes, \$381.19. Total deductions, \$1,638.46, resulting in net income subject to tax of \$3,561.54 and a total tax due of \$9.35.

Tax Return for 1954:

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Return is made out in the name of LEW and [REDACTED] FARRELL, 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines; bears no signature but in space provided bears a stamp "For signature see form No. 1805-IT." Subject's occupation listed as salesman. Return bears stamp of State Tax Commission reflecting received April 12, 1955.

The return reflects subject's income as: \$800.00 in wages and \$2,301.49 as profits from operation of Universal Builders of Des Moines. Source of the wages listed as Universal Builders and Supply, Inc. Total income recorded as \$3,101.49, and state tax due as "None."

A separate schedule of profit attached to the return reflects data pertaining to operation of Universal Builders of Des Moines, Southwest 7th and Indianola Streets, Des Moines, as follows: Total receipts, \$41,530.88; cost of merchandise sold, \$30,768.67 for gross profit of \$10,762.21. Other business deductions totaled \$8,460.72 leaving net profit of \$2,301.49. Pertinent items listed in other deductions as follows: Rent, \$500.00; commissions paid, \$6,534.11; travel and entertainment, \$233.23; telephone and telegraph, \$500.56.

Tax Return for 1956:

Return is made out in name of LEW and [REDACTED] FARRELL, 1115 Caulder Avenue, Des Moines, bears signatures of LEW FARRELL and [REDACTED] FARRELL, both on April 12, 1957, and the stamped imprint for the maker of the return as [REDACTED] and Associates, 510 Fleming Building, Des Moines, Iowa." Return bears state tax commission received stamp of April 22, 1957.

Return lists subject's occupation as "investments." Return requests an entry as "Adjusted gross income shown on your 1956 Federal Return"; in this space, there is entered, \$3,788.18. This item is carried throughout return with the only change recorded being a 5% allowed deduction which reduced amount to \$3,598.77, which by table on return resulted in tax of \$67.16. Return also listed subject's tax deductions as self, wife, and children, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for five children and a total exemption of seven, resulting in the exemptions allowed totaling more than tax due and final result of no state tax due.

The only additional information on the form is that reflecting that subject paid no federal income tax in 1956.

Bank Deposits, 1956:

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In connection with investigation on another matter, inquiry was made in April and May, 1957, by SA LAWRENCE D. WELCH regarding income of the subject, which inquiry included investigation at the following Des Moines, Iowa, banks to locate accounts of LEW FARRELL:

Iowa-Des Moines National Bank;  
Valley Bank and Trust Company;  
Central National Bank;  
Bankers Trust Company;  
Capital City State Bank;  
Iowa State Bank;  
First Federal State Bank;  
State Bank of Des Moines in Beaverdale;  
First National Bank of West Des Moines;  
West Des Moines State Bank;  
National Bank of Des Moines;  
Highland Park State Bank.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 was contacted on April 22, 23, 24, May 3 and 13, 1957, in this matter and advised the Bankers Trust Company has a checking account entitled "LEW [REDACTED] FARRELL", 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa. b6 b7C

Details concerning deposits in this account during 1956 are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
January 30, 1956	\$ 658.00	\$500.00 in currency, balance is 11 small checks each less than \$50.00
February 6, 1956	200.00	Currency
February 16, 1956	1,200.00	Currency
March 14, 1956	500.00	\$700.00 check less \$200.00 received in cash
April 13, 1956	92.00	Check
May 4, 1956	1,098.58	Two checks; \$1,000.00 and \$98.58
June 20, 1956	300.00	Check

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
July 19, 1956	\$1,775.10	Two checks; \$1,275.10 and \$500.00
September 17, 1956	300.00	Currency
September 25, 1956	200.00	Currency
October 29, 1956	500.00	Check
December 26, 1956	105.00	Currency
December 31, 1956	<u>1,050.00</u>	Currency
Total	\$7,978.68	

Low balance in the account was less than \$100.00; high balance was approximately \$2,000.00; average balance approximately \$500.00. Currency included in the above deposits totals \$3,530.00.

T-13 advised he was able to trace and identify three of the checks in the above deposits and no attempt was made to trace checks of less than \$100.00. Details concerning the three checks are as follows:

\$700.00 check in deposit of March 14, 1956, number 5325, dated March 9, 1956, drawn on account of Superior Sales Company with First Federal State Bank, Des Moines, Iowa, signed [redacted] and payable to [redacted]. It is endorsed by [redacted] and second endorsement is LEW FARRELL. A photostat copy of this check was obtained.

\$1.275.00 check in deposit of July 19, 1956, is on the Connecticut Life Insurance Company Premium Account, payable to LEW FARRELL. No photostat of this check was obtained.

\$500.00 check in deposit of July 19, 1956, is a draft, number C 1999, payable to LEW FARRELL, signed [redacted] of South Omaha Bank, Omaha, Nebraska, and drawn on the United States National Bank, Omaha, Nebraska. The draft is dated July 17, 1956, and was purchased by JOHN E. MAINELLI. The draft is endorsed LEW FARRELL. A photostat of the draft was obtained.

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For the information pertaining to the [redacted] referred to above, see under "Associates" for information regarding individual believed identical to this [redacted].

Investigation conducted in June, 1957, by SA [redacted] [redacted] disclosed the following information pertaining to JOHN P. MAINELLI referred to above:

On June 25, 1957, [redacted] Associated Retail Credit Bureau, Omaha, Nebraska, advised the files of this agency disclose that JOHN P. MAINELLI resides at 1340 South 90th Street and is the President and Treasurer of the Mainelli Construction Company. He lists his dependents as wife, [redacted] and six children. A Dun and Bradstreet Report, received by the Credit Bureau on June 30, 1944, stated that MAINELLI contracts to do construction work at one of the Omaha meat packing plants. He has given up jobs in the past without notice. His pay record is satisfactory and his net worth in 1944 was \$20,000.00.

The Omaha World Herald contained an item on February 3, 1955, which stated MAINELLI had been fined for income tax evasion. MAINELLI pleaded no defense to two of six counts and the other four counts were dismissed at the request of the United States Attorney. MAINELLI was fined \$7,500.00 and costs on these two counts. The total amount evaded on the two counts totaled \$45,897.00.

Associated Retail Credit Bureau records stated MAINELLI owns his own home in a good residential district, and the Credit Bureau is in possession of no information, other than the tax case mentioned above, reflecting adversely upon his reputation. MAINELLI is presently 62 years of age, having been born October 15, 1894.

[redacted] Traffic Bureau, Omaha Police Department, advised on June 28, 1957, that the files of this Bureau disclose JOHN P. MAINELLI was arrested July 18, 1946, for speeding and fined \$2.50 and costs.

Sergeant [redacted] Identification Bureau, Police Department, Omaha, Nebraska, and Lieutenant [redacted] Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Omaha, Nebraska, advised on June 28, 1957, the files of their respective offices contain no arrest record for MAINELLI.

Bank Deposits, 1957:

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As previously reported, information provided by Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 disclosed that during 1957 subject's checking account at the Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, Iowa, reflected total deposits during 1957 of \$21,922.01. Further examination of this account disclosed information as made available by Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 that of the nineteen deposits made in subject's account, all but six deposits were in currency. Of the six checks deposited, T-13 advised it had been possible to identify five of the six checks, as follows:

<u>Deposit Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description of Check</u>
April 23, 1957	\$13,142.40	Dated April 25, 1957 on account of Schrempp & Lathrop, Attorneys and Counsellors, 276 Aquila Court, drawn on The Omaha National Bank, payable to "LEW FARRELL and [REDACTED] FARRELL," signed [REDACTED] Endorsed LEW FARRELL and FARRELL.
September 3, 1957	2,084.61	On account of the Bankers Life Insurance Company, on Central National Bank and Trust Company, Des Moines.
September 13, 1957	400.00	Dated September 10, 1957, on account of Rosen Novak Auto Company, 2036 Farnam Street, Omaha, drawn on The Omaha National Bank, payable to "LOUIS FARRELL, 1115 Coulter Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa," signature partially illegible, but possibly [REDACTED] Prepared with check protector.
September 30, 1957	500.00	Dated September 30, 1957, on personalized check form of [REDACTED] Avenue," drawn on The Omaha National Bank, payable to "LEW FARRELL," signed [REDACTED] Check number 1063. Endorsement unreadable.

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<u>Deposit Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description of Check</u>
October 22, 1957	\$1,000.00	Dated October 21, 1957 on account of the Center Construction Company, 4005 (?) Center Street, drawn on the Center Bank, Omaha, payable to "LEW FERRILL" and possibly signed as [redacted] (last name somewhat illegible). By check protector. Endorsed both LEW FERRILL and LEW FARRELL in same handwriting.
November 8, 1957.	500.00	Unable to identify check.

In regard to checks referred to above, the following set forth.

As previously reported, Des Moines Register newspaper article dated April 23, 1957, reported that a settlement had been reached in the law suit between FARRELL and the United Air Lines for alleged injuries suffered by FARRELL in an airliner crash; further, that the settlement had been described as "sizeable." As previously reported, newspaper articles have identified FARRELL's attorney in this law suit as [redacted] of Omaha. This information would apparently refer to the deposit of a check for \$13,142.60 in the FARRELL account, which check dated April 23, 1957, and signed [redacted]

Comments regarding [redacted] the Center Construction Company, and [redacted] are set forth elsewhere in this report.

(8) Income of Subject, 1958

Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 advised on February 28, 1958, there had been no activity in the checking account of subject at the Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, Iowa, during the month of February, 1958, and that with the deduction of normal charges, subject's balance at the end of February was less than \$3.00. T-13 on March 31, 1958, advised subject's checking account during March, 1958, disclosed three deposits as follows: March 10, 1958, for \$50.00; March 14, 1958, for \$500.00; March 25, 1958, for \$50.00. T-13 advised that records reveal the \$500.00 deposit was in currency.

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T-13 further made available information pertaining to checks drawn on subject's account during the month of March, 1958, which reveals the following items, possibly pertinent to this matter. All checks are signed "LEW FARRELL":

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
March 9, 1958	Vet's Club (endorsed: \$23.26 "Johnnie's Vet Club, [redacted])	
March 15, 1958	[redacted] (endorsed: 50.00 [redacted])	
March 17, 1958	Rocky's Steak House	50.00

Remainder of checks were to department stores, utility companies and for cash. Balance as of March 31, 1958, was \$83.58.

(F) PLACES OF AMUSEMENT - HANGOUTS

(1) Blackstone Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska

As set forth under "Travel," subject was a guest at the Blackstone Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 28, 1958, and March 1, 1958, and as set forth under "Telephone Calls January 14, 1958, to March 12, 1958," a telephone call was directed from subject's residential phone, Des Moines, to Omaha telephone Harney 0945 on February 13, 1958, at 7:00 a.m., and party asked for identified as "LEW FARRELL," which would indicate subject was staying at that hotel apparently at least on night of February 12-13, 1958. In view of above, it would appear subject makes a practice of staying at the Blackstone Hotel when in Omaha, Nebraska.

(2) Johnnie's Vet Club, 3rd and Lincoln, West Des Moines, Iowa

As set forth under "Income of Subject, 1958," subject directed a personal check for \$23.26 payable to the "Vet's Club," which was endorsed "Johnnie's Vet Club, [redacted] check dated March 9, 1958.

[redacted] Des Moines Credit Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa, on April 1, 1958, advised Johnnie's Vet Club is located at



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3rd and Lincoln, West Des Moines, Iowa; this location verified on April 1, 1958, by inquiry at West Des Moines Police Department. She advised records indicate this club operated by [redacted] [redacted] West Des Moines, Iowa, who has operated club since 1948. She stated newspaper clippings in file reflect [redacted] was fined \$200.00 in February, 1950, for possession of gambling devices; further, that a raid on his private garage in December, 1949, located slot machines and a dice table.

(G) Travel

(1) Activities in Omaha, Nebraska, February 28, 1958, and March 1, 1958

Confidential Informant Omaha T-17 on February 28, 1958, at 1:00 p.m., advised subject was departing Des Moines, Iowa, for Omaha, Nebraska, via United Air Lines flight scheduled to arrive Omaha on February 28, 1958, at 1:50 p.m.

On February 28, 1958, at 2:00 p.m., subject and an unidentified man were observed by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] to leave the Municipal Airport Terminal Building, Omaha, and to enter a black 1956 four-door Chevrolet sedan, bearing 1958 Nebraska license 1-83004. FARRELL was driven to the Blackstone Hotel, Omaha, where he registered alone into room 625, a \$20.00 per night suite, at 2:35 p.m.

Observation of subject's activities at the Hotel Blackstone by SAs [redacted] and JOHN V. BARNES, and through information provided SA [redacted] by [redacted] Blackstone Hotel, determined subject spent the entire evening of February 28, 1958, in company of [redacted] owners of the Blackstone Hotel, and [redacted] of Des Moines. [redacted] were registered in Room 230 of the Blackstone Hotel and from approximately 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., FARRELL, the [redacted], and the [redacted] had drinks together in the [redacted] room. At 9:30 p.m., this group had dinner together in the Orleans Room of the Blackstone Hotel until approximately 10:45 p.m.; after dinner, they moved to the Cottonwood Room of the Blackstone where they had drinks until approximately 11:30 p.m., when the [redacted] left the hotel, and FARRELL and the [redacted] entered the hotel elevator, apparently to retire to their rooms for the night.

Observation of subject's activities morning of March 1, 1958, was by SAs OSCAR W. SHANKS and [redacted] who determined subject in his room until 11:15 a.m. when he appeared

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in the lobby, entered a public phone booth where he remained for approximately 20 to 25 minutes and thereafter remained in the lobby. At 12:20 p.m., two men arrived at the hotel in a car believed to be a late model green Chrysler Imperial, Nebraska license 1-33523. Of the two men, one was identified by Assistant Hotel Manager [redacted] the other, identity unknown, described as white, male, about 50, 5'6", 170 pounds, dark shell-rimmed glasses, bald. These two men joined the subject, visited with him in the lobby for about 15 minutes and then the three men were observed to carry a sack of gift-wrapped packages out of the main door of the hotel and to return immediately to the hotel through the northeast entrance.

SAs also observing entrance of ODDO and the other individual into the Blackstone Hotel as described above, were SAs DANIEL E. CLARK, [redacted], and JAMES L. FLOOD, who continued observations as described below. The three men, including subject, returned to the hotel as described above at 1:02 p.m., March 1, 1958. Assistant Manager [redacted] supra, advised SA CLARK that subject was in his room during afternoon of March 1, 1958.

At 5:07, subject observed visiting in lobby with unknown individual described as white, male, 50-53 years old, 6'2", 200 pounds, dark shell-rimmed glasses, dark complexion, who left the hotel within a few minutes and drove away from the hotel in a 1957 Ford Fairlane 500 two-door sedan, Nebraska license 1-77488. Between 5:10 p.m. and 5:40 p.m., subject checked out of his room but stood around the lobby visiting with counter girls. At 5:57 p.m., subject was joined by unknown individual described as white, male, about 33, 5'4", 150-160, receding hairline. Subject and this individual had several cocktails together and then subject driven to Omaha airport by this individual in 1956 black Chevrolet, Nebraska license 1-83004, where he boarded United Air Line flight 208 for Des Moines at 6:45 p.m.

It should be noted that FARRELL was picked up at airport and delivered to airport by same car.

(2) At Kansas City, Missouri, February 22, 1958

Investigation reported by the Kansas City Division disclosed that subject, while in Kansas City, Missouri, on February 22, 1958, had lunch at the Muehlebach Hotel with an

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unidentified man and two women later identified as Mrs. [redacted] and [redacted] further, that reservations at the Muehleback Hotel had been made on February 21, 1958, by a [redacted] New Orleans, Louisiana, for himself and a [redacted] [redacted] Houston, Texas, and for [redacted] [redacted] Bronx, New York, and [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa. The four individuals registered at the hotel on February 22, 1958, and were due to leave on February 23, 1958.

Examination of the Des Moines, Iowa, 1957 City Directory, discloses a [redacted] with wife, [redacted] residing at [redacted] Des Moines. [redacted] Des Moines Credit Bureau, on March 10, 1958, advised that Bureau has no record of an [redacted] She advised records pertaining to [redacted] disclose him to be a [redacted] [redacted] of the Eagle Iron Works, Des Moines; further, that he was married to [redacted] in [redacted] 1951, divorced from her in [redacted] apparently [redacted] to her for records indicate that on [redacted] he was being sued for divorce by [redacted]

(3) Personal Auto

On March 31, 1958, subject was observed in the downtown area of Des Moines, Iowa, while driving his 1957 blue and white Plymouth station wagon. The vehicle was observed to bear 1958 Iowa license plates [redacted]

(4) Air Travel

Confidential Informants Omaha T-17 and T-18 advised on March 27, 1958, that subject has not been observed to travel out of Des Moines by plane since the latter part of February, 1958.

(I) PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

To be added to data previously set forth under this caption are the following items:

Former wife  
Child:

Social Security  
Number

[redacted] born

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HANDWRITING

Photostat copies of several checks in subject's personal checking account at the Bankers Trust Company were obtained from Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 and will be maintained as samples of subject's handwriting.

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INFORMANTS

- T-1: Immigration and Naturalization Service, Omaha, Nebraska,  
by SA [REDACTED]
- T-2: [REDACTED] Referral/Consult  
[REDACTED]
- T-3: PCI [REDACTED] by SA [REDACTED]
- T-4: [REDACTED], Executive, Northwestern Bell Telephone  
Company, Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [REDACTED]
- T-5: [REDACTED] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha,  
Nebraska, contacted March 17, 1958, by SA [REDACTED]
- T-6: [REDACTED] Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,  
St. Louis, to SE CHARLES W. DENNY, per St. Louis  
letter to Omaha dated March 13, 1958.
- T-7: [REDACTED] to the Plant Superin-  
tendent, New York Telephone Company, Buffalo, New  
York, to unknown Buffalo SA, per Buffalo letter to  
Omaha dated March 10, 1958.
- T-8: Dun and Bradstreet, Insurance Exchange Building,  
Des Moines, by SA [REDACTED]
- T-9: Federal Housing Administration, Valley Bank Building,  
Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [REDACTED]
- T-10: [REDACTED] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota, as set out in report of  
SA [REDACTED] dated March 21, 1958, entitled,  
"ISADORE BLUMENFIELD, wa.; ANTI-RACKETEERING."
- T-11: [REDACTED] Dun and Bradstreet, Omaha, Nebraska,  
by SA [REDACTED]

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- T-12: [redacted] Auditor, Iowa State Tax Commission,  
Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [redacted]
- T-13: [redacted] Bankers Trust Company,  
Des Moines, Iowa.
- T-14: Federal Housing Administration, Omaha, Nebraska, by  
SA [redacted]
- T-15: PCI [redacted] by SA [redacted]
- T-16: PCI [redacted] by SA [redacted]
- T-17: [redacted] Reservation Supervisor, United Air Lines,  
Des Moines, Iowa, by SA [redacted]
- T-18: [redacted] Braniff Airways Official, Des  
Moines, Iowa, by SA [redacted]

ADMINISTRATIVE

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185)

DATED: April 7, 1958

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

RE : LEW FARRELL, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Omaha - 00

Enclosed herewith is the report of SA [redacted]  
[redacted] Omaha, dated April 7, 1958.

REFERENCES

Omaha report of SA [redacted] dated 2/21/58.  
Detroit letter to Omaha dated 3/24/58.  
Minneapolis letter to Omaha dated 3/26/58.  
Indianapolis letter to Omaha dated 3/21/58.  
St. Louis letter to Omaha dated 3/13/58.  
Buffalo letter to Omaha dated 3/10/58.  
Report of SA [redacted] Kansas City, dated 2/28/58.

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By separate letter the Bureau was advised of possible discrepancies between subject's income as indicated by bank deposits in 1956 and a State income tax return for 1956, with the request that the subject's Federal income tax returns for the past five years be forwarded to the Omaha Division.

CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

PCI [redacted] is quoted in enclosed report.  
PCI [redacted] is quoted in enclosed report.  
PCI [redacted] is quoted in enclosed report.

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[redacted] of the Omaha Division is acquainted with the subject and is attempting to re-establish association with the subject, which did exist years ago when [redacted] was more actively engaged in sporting events.

[redacted] is acquainted with subject and contact will be maintained with him for any pertinent information.

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2-Detroit (92-314) (Encl. - 2)  
2-Chicago (92-437) (Encl. - 2)  
2-Kansas City (92-177) (Encl. - 2)  
2-Minneapolis (92-86) (Encl. - 2)  
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In addition to the above, preliminary investigation has identified and located [ ] and [ ] former Des Moines gamblers, who were allegedly associated in previous years with the subject in a gambling establishment in Des Moines, Iowa. These two individuals will be contacted and efforts made to develop them as PCIs.

In addition to the above, the next door neighbor of the subject, one [ ] a former schoolteacher and a college graduate, has been determined to have an excellent local record and will be considered for contact in an effort to establish a close source for information on subject's daily activities and associations at home.

#### LEADS

In addition to leads previously set forth and as yet not reported on, will conduct investigation as follows:

#### BUFFALO DIVISION:

##### At Buffalo, New York:

(1) Will ascertain the subscriber to the following telephone number, to which long distant calls were directed from Des Moines, Iowa, - Atlantic 2-5937, listed to the subject's residential address. Will contact appropriate sources for background of the subscriber and/or the person named below and will attempt to determine the connection with the subject:

[ ] on January 14, 1958.

Will note the telephone call was also listed to [ ] on January 25, 1958, which number previously identified by Buffalo letter of 3/10/58 as the residential phone of [ ] Buffalo, N.Y.

(2) Will conduct additional investigation into the background of [ ] mentioned above, for purposes of establishing a connection with the subject.

#### CHICAGO DIVISION:

##### At Chicago, Illinois:

(1) Will conduct appropriate inquiry at the Andrew Jackson Public School for information re the subject's



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education there, it being noted the subject previously advised agents of another Government agency that he entered that school in the fall of 1914.

(2) Will attempt to verify the marriage of the subject to one [redacted] to whom a daughter of the subject was born on [redacted] and will obtain pertinent background data regarding this individual.

(3) Will attempt to ascertain the present location and name of [redacted] daughter of LOUIS THOMAS FRATTO and [redacted] at Chicago, Illinois.

(4) Will note information in enclosed report from a PCI to the effect that subject's brother had allegedly killed a deputy sheriff in Cook County, Illinois in the early 1940s and "gotten away with it"; will consider advising local authorities.

(5) Will note information set out in enclosed report regarding the Globe Auto Glass Company of Indianapolis, Indiana, reported to be a branch of the Globe Auto Glass Company, 2501 South Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois; will conduct appropriate inquiry regarding the Chicago concern to determine if the subject's brother, [redacted] possibly associated therewith.

(6) Will conduct investigation regarding the following telephone numbers similar to that requested of the Buffalo Division:

[redacted] January 14, 1958  
January 19, 1958 and February 24, 1958  
and [redacted] February 18, 1958

Will note similar calls were directed to [redacted] on November 21, 1957, January 4, 1958 and January 31, 1958.

(7) Will note information set forth under Canadian Ace Beer regarding [redacted] Lawndale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, wherein information set forth that these individuals listed income from Canadian Ace of Des Moines, Iowa in their income tax return for 1949; will check appropriate local sources as well as office indices

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regarding [ ] mentioned above, and [ ]  
[ ] also identified previously as a partner of  
subject in this company.

(8) Will note information provided a PCI to the  
effect that the subject's brother as of approximately  
December, 1956, claimed to be the head of an aluminum  
business in Chicago.

DETROIT DIVISION:

At Detroit, Michigan:

(1) Will conduct investigation similar to that  
requested of the Buffalo Division concerning telephone  
numbers called on the designated dates as follows:

[ ] January 14, January 16, and  
January 27, 1958

[ ] February 17 and February 18, 1958

KANSAS CITY DIVISION:

At Kansas City, Missouri:

(1) Will conduct investigation similar to that  
requested of the Buffalo Division concerning telephone  
numbers called on the designated dates as follows:

HA 1-2388 and VA 1-6992 (DR. D. M. NIGRO),  
January 18, 1958

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION:

At Minneapolis, Minnesota:

(1) Will conduct investigation similar to that  
requested of the Buffalo Division concerning telephone  
numbers called on the designated dates as follows:

[ ] January 23, 1958  
February 17, 1958

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OMAHA DIVISION:

At Omaha, Nebraska:

(1) Will conduct investigation similar to that requested of the Buffalo Division on telephone numbers called on the designated dates as follows:

OR 3500 (LARRY), January 22, 1958; February 3,  
February 4, February 8, February 18 and 19,  
1958 and March 12, 1958  
[redacted] January 30, 1958  
[redacted] February 24, 1958

(2) Will ascertain the present activities of GIOVANNI D'ERCOLE, also known as JOHN D'ARCO, 119 North 38th Street, Omaha, and will consider for interview regarding the subject.

(3) Will conduct a similar type investigation regarding [redacted] Omaha.

(4) Will conduct similar investigation concerning [redacted] Omaha.

(5) Will ascertain the activities and associations of LARRY MITILIER, 6269 Pine Street, Omaha and will attempt to ascertain the current reason for the association between FARRELL and MITILIER; will determine the financial structure of the companies MITILIER is known to be associated with.

(6) Will determine the financial structure and organization of all companies located at 6005 Center Street, noting this will include the Miller Survey Company, the Center Construction Company and the Record Realty Company.

(7) Will ascertain the background of [redacted] of the Center Construction Company and Record Realty Company.

(8) Will check appropriate sources for information regarding [redacted] and [redacted] Vice-President, named as such officers of the Universal Builders Company in 1951.

(9) Will conduct similar investigation regarding [redacted] of Universal Builders in 1952.

(10) Attempt to resolve the contradiction inherent in records of the Douglas County Incorporation records, which disclose the dissolution of the Universal Builders Incorporated on December 17, 1951 with other information in this report and with the incorporation of what appears to be another company of similar name in that same month, with incorporator's name as [redacted] and [redacted]

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(11) Will reinterview PCI [redacted] for complete details of the siding company with which he was associated with the subject, including names of officers, owners, FARRELL's interest and participation therein and any other information regarding FARRELL's entry into this field; will further reinterview [redacted] on details of the Teamsters Charter subject allegedly handling in Iowa.

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(12) Will interview JOHN P. MAINELLI, 1340 South 90th Street, Omaha, regarding subject, it being noted MAINELLI directed a \$500.00 bank draft to the subject in July, 1956.

(13) Will conduct appropriate investigation at Rosen-Novak Auto Company, 2036 Farnam Street, to determine the reason for a check for \$400.00 they made out payable to the subject on September 13, 1957.

(14) Will arrange with the management of the Hotel Blackstone to be notified of the subject's arrival there in the event stops on travel by the subject fail to alert the FBI regarding his movements to Omaha, Nebraska.

(15) Will check records of the Hotel Blackstone for information regarding local telephone calls while subject was a guest there during the period February 28 - March 1, 1958.

(16) Will, when Douglas County Auto Registration records are ready for examination, determine the ownership of cars bearing the following 1958 Nebraska licenses:

1-83004; 1-33523; 1-77488

At Des Moines, Iowa:

(1) Will attempt to determine the significance of the subject's using telephone number Cherry 3-2283,

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located at Thriftway Grocery Warehouse Number 1, Second Avenue, Des Moines, on January 16, 1958, to make a telephone call to Detroit, Michigan Number FA 1-1151 [redacted].

(2) Will interview [redacted] Street, Des Moines, regarding subject.

(3) Will interview and attempt to develop [redacted] Street, Des Moines, as a PCI if the initial approach is received favorably.

(4) Will attempt to locate [redacted] and develop him as a PCI regarding FARRELL.

(5) Will consider interview of [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.

(6) Will consider approach to [redacted] as a PCI regarding FARRELL.

(7) Will consider interview of [redacted] Des Moines.

(8) Will review the records of the Bankers Life Insurance Company, Des Moines, for information regarding the subject and payment of a check by them for \$2,084.61 to the subject.

(9) Will determine activities at Johnnie's Vet Club, 3rd and Lincoln, West Des Moines.

(10) Will consider interview with [redacted] manager, Seven-Up Bottling Company, Des Moines.

(11) Will consider a surveillance of subject in and about Des Moines.

SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE, CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185)

DATE: 4/3/58

FROM: J. Talm SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

SUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Results of investigation being incorporated in investigative report now in preparation disclose subject's bank account, Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, Ia., in 1956 was the recipient of deposits totalling \$7,978.68; further that an Iowa State income tax return for 1956 discloses subject's 1956 Federal income tax return set forth his adjusted gross income as \$3,788.18.

It is realized that the two figures do not prove any misstatement on the part of subject in his Federal income tax return or in his State income tax return, but it would appear to indicate that further inquiry into the matter would be appropriate.

The report now being prepared sets out subject's bank deposits for 1957 as well as his reported income by tax returns from 1944 to 1956; however, with the exception of State income tax returns for 1953, 1954 and 1956, no tax returns being available for examination.

It is requested the Bureau consider expediting the forwarding of Federal income tax returns on subject for at least the past five years to the Omaha Division.

Any inaccuracies determined would eventually be disseminated both to the Federal Income Tax Division as well as to the Iowa State Income Tax Division.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>CHICAGO</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>4/18/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>3/17,28,31; 4/2,4/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, was.</b>		Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 150px;"></div>	Typed By: <b>plf</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

**Synopsis:**

The records of the Chicago Board of Education reflect subject born on 7/17/07, at Chicago, and was in 5th grade in 1919. In 1955, FRANK FRATTO, subject's brother, was reported to be the fingerman for the killing of CHARLEY "CHERRY NOSE" GIOE, to have carried gun in belt and to have been connected with the torture and murder of a man five or six years prior to that date. Subject's brother [redacted] employed as bailiff in Chicago in 1955. [redacted] was arrested for murder but disposition was listed as no bill. Other members of subject's family identified. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On March 31, 1958, [redacted] Custodian of Records, Chicago Board of Education, basement storage room, Lafayette High School, 2714 West Augusta Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised that the records of the Board of Education at this location were not complete and were not organized in such a manner that a complete check could be made. [redacted] reviewed the records of the Crerar, Cregier, Irving, and King Schools which reflected the following information concerning LOUIS FRATTO:

On October 17, 1918, LOUIS FRATTO, born July 17, 1907, at Chicago, Illinois, the son of THOMAS FRATTO, 713 Winchester, from the DeWitte Cregier School, 1820 West Grenshaw, entered the Washington Irving School, 2140 West Lexington, in the 5th grade.

On February 3, 1919, he left this school as he was out of the district. The records of the Cregier School reflected the following information:

CARMEN FRATTO, born November 15, 1907, Chicago address 713 Winchester, the son of THOMAS FRATTO, was in grade 6B in 1918-1919.

LILY FRATTO, 713 Winchester, was born on May 17, 1910, at Chicago, Illinois, and was in grade 1B at the Cregier School in 1918-1919.

ROSE FRATTO, 713 Winchester, who was born at Chicago, Illinois, on December 13, 1912, was in the kindergarten at the Cregier School in 1918-1919.

According to the current Illinois Bell Telephone Directory for Chicago, Telephone No. CENTral 6-5561 is listed to the American Guild of Variety of Artists, 54 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois.



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[redacted] Street, Room [redacted]  
(date not reflected), advised SA [redacted] that he  
had been [redacted] by the Actor's Equity Association (AEA),  
720 West Bittersweet, and the American Variety Artists, 54  
West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] stated  
that [redacted] a representative of the American Guild  
of Variety Artists, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois,  
advised him that for an un-named sum of money, he [redacted]  
could get [redacted] name removed from the Actor's Equity  
Association (AEA) [redacted]

A confidential source advised that Chicago, Illinois,  
Bell Telephone No. [redacted] was an un-listed number  
for [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

On March 28, 1958, by suitable pretext, telephone  
calls to a neighbor of 6300 North Olcott, Chicago, Illinois,  
determined that 6300 North Olcott, was a one family  
residence occupied by FRANK FRATTO and his family who had  
resided at this address for about two years. FRATTO was  
self-employed in a business installing awnings on buildings.  
This neighbor advised that they did not know FRATTO's wife's  
name and did not know of a person by the name of [redacted]  
residing at this address.

On April 24, 1951, FRANK FRATTO was apprehended  
at his home at 8215 South Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois,  
by SAs [redacted] MERLE B. HAMRE, and FRANCIS B.  
JENKINS, in a case involving the theft of 500 cases of  
whiskey from Interstate shipment. The following description  
of FRANK FRATTO was obtained by observation and interrogation:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	36 (April 24, 1951)
Date of Birth	March 24, 1915
Place of Birth	Chicago, Illinois

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Weight  
Height  
Eyes  
Hair  
Complexion  
Build  
Education  
Relatives

180 pounds  
6'1"  
Brown  
Black, tinged with gray  
Medium  
Heavy  
Two years, Manley High School  
[redacted] FRATTO, wife  
[redacted] son, [redacted]

years of age  
THOMAS FRATTO, father  
BLANCHE FRATTO, mother  
All of the above resided at  
825 South Leavitt Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

Brothers

CARMEN FRATTO,  
3121 West Fillmore Street,  
Chicago, Illinois  
RUDOLPH FRATTO,  
(Street address unknown)  
Campbell Park area,  
Chicago, Illinois  
WILLIAM FRATTO,  
825 South Leavitt,  
Chicago, Illinois  
LOUIS FRATTO, was.  
LOU FARRELL,

Sisters

Des Moines, Iowa  
Mrs. LILLIAN STELLATO,  
821 South Leavitt Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted] and

both of 825 South Leavitt Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

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Occupation	Meat Salesman and tavern employee
Scars and Marks	Right ear malformed at birth and appears to be missing.
Photograph	A photograph is available in the Chicago files.

On April 3, 1952, Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that FRANK FRATTO had been placed on three years probation on that day by United States District Court Judge WILLIAM J. CAMPBELL.

On April 7, 1955, [redacted] Stickney, Illinois, advised SAs JOHN MATTHEWS and LENARD A. WOLF that she managed Michael's Tavern, 4038 South Oak Park, Stickney, Illinois, for [redacted] from May, 1954, to January 4, 1955. [redacted] advised that FRANK FRATTO, also known as "one ear" and others were engaged in criminal activities.

On April 8, 1955, SAs MATTHEWS and WOLF again interviewed [redacted] at her home residence, [redacted] Stickney, Illinois, at which time her sister [redacted] was present. They advised that FRATTO carried a gun in his belt and they stated that FRATTO was reportedly the fingerman for the killing of CHARLEY "CHERRY NOSE" GIOE about six months prior to that date. They stated that FRATTO was GIOE's "buddy" and that FRATTO tipped off the killer as to where GIOE was going to be at a certain time. They advised that right after GIOE was killed, FRANK FRATTO disappeared for a few days.

They advised that about five or six years prior to that date, a man was tortured, and murdered, and dumped on a road somewhere in the Chicago area. They stated that the man's hands and feet had been burned, pegs had been driven under his nails and was otherwise brutally tortured. They advised that FRATTO bragged about being in on the murder.

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On April 1, 1958, [REDACTED] Clerk,  
Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois,  
made available the records of that Bureau concerning  
FRANK FRATTO which reflected the following information:

Name	FRANK FRATTO
Wife	[REDACTED] FRATTO, KATHERINE
Addresses	FRATTO, KAYE FRATTO 6300 North Olcott, Chicago, Illinois (November 27, 1956) 2658 North New England, Chicago, Illinois (1955-1956) 5646 West 36th Street, Cicero, Illinois (1954) 825 South Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois (1945-1952, 1955) 5644 West 26th Street, Cicero, Illinois (date not reflected) Storm Manufacturing Company, 2435 West 14th Street, Chicago, Illinois (May 25, 1956) Courtesy Storm Window Company, (1954-1955) United Insurance Company, (March 8, 1955) Chez Ritz Cocktail Lounge, 4001 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois (April 5, 1952)
Employments	

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Manager, Club Minuet,  
939 Rush Street,  
Chicago, Illinois  
It was owned by his wife  
until June, 1945.  
Engaged in business with  
[redacted]  
Austin Tractor System,  
621 South Cicero, for  
two and one-half years  
prior to 1945.

A confidential source advised that Cicero,  
Illinois, Bell Telephone No. T0wnhall 3-0590 was an  
un-listed number for [redacted] Cicero,  
Illinois.

On March 28, 1958, by suitable pretext, a  
telephone call to a neighbor in the vicinity of 1632 Central,  
Cicero, Illinois, it was determined that CARMEN and [redacted]  
FRATTO and their [redacted] children resided at [redacted]  
[redacted] Illinois. According to the neighbor, FRATTO was  
employed as a bailiff in downtown Chicago. FRATTO had a  
poor reputation for payment of debts and it was believed  
that he has been known to use the last name FRANK.

On March 28, 1958, [redacted] Clerk,  
Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated, made available the  
records of that Bureau concerning CARMEN FRATTO which  
reflected the following information:

Name	CARMEN FRATTO
Addresses	3121 Fillmore Street, Chicago, Illinois (date not reflected)
	1519 South 57th Avenue, Cicero, Illinois (July 30, 1954)
	1632 Central, Cicero, Illinois (September 6, 1956)

Wife	ROSEMARY FRATTO
Employments:	

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Wife  
Employments

[REDACTED] FRATTO  
Cook County Building as  
bailiff  
(July 30, 1954)

City of Chicago  
(September 6, 1956)

On March 31, 1958, the records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, were rechecked on the basis of additional information concerning CARMEN FRATTO. The records reflected that CARMEN FRATTO, 1519 South 57th Street, Cicero, Illinois, was arrested on January 15, 1955, and booked at Cicero, Illinois, on the charge of murder (homicide). The disposition was listed as no bill in January, 1955. The record reflected that fingerprints taken January 17, 1955, were available. The record reflected that as of January, 1955, CARMEN FRATTO was 48 years of age; weight, 165 pounds; height, 5'9"; build, medium; hair, black; eyes, brown; and was married. The record reflected Cicero Police Department Record No. 2202.

According to the current Illinois Bell Telephone Directory, Telephone No. [REDACTED] is listed to [REDACTED] FRATTO, [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois.

[REDACTED] submitted an application dated December 16, 1941, for employment as messenger with the FBI which reflected the following information:

Name  
Address

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois

Previous address

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois  
(eighteen years prior to 1941)

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Date of Birth  
Place of Birth  
Weight  
Height  
Color  
Relatives

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois  
[REDACTED] bounds

White  
THOMAS FRATTO, father  
born in Italy, and is a  
citizen of the United States,  
address, 825 South Leavitt,  
Chicago, Illinois

BLANCHE FRATTO, mother  
born in Rome, Italy, and is a  
citizen of the United States,  
address, 825 South Leavitt,  
Chicago, Illinois

CARMEN FRATTO, brother  
3121 West Fillmore Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

LOUIS FRATTO, brother  
Des Moines, Iowa

[REDACTED] brother  
[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois

[REDACTED] brother  
[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois

ROSE DACEY, sister  
825 South Leavitt Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

[REDACTED] sister  
[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois

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Employment, wife  
Education

Languages  
Organizations  
Previous employment

Photograph

[redacted] sister  
[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted], wife  
Born in Chicago, Illinois,  
address, [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]  
Washington Irving School,  
2100 West Lexington,  
1922-1930,  
William McKinley School,  
Hoyne and Adams,  
1930-1932.  
Speaks Italian fluently

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, as  
Cashier, 1934-1937.

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, as  
Clerk, 1937-1940.

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, as  
Clerk, 1940-1941.

Photograph available at  
Chicago Office.



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[redacted] was not qualified for employment with the FBI because he had not completed high school.

On April 1, 1958, [redacted] Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated, made available records of that Bureau concerning [redacted] which reflected the following information:

Name  
Wife  
Residences

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted]  
River Forest, Illinois.

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois.

Employments

[redacted]  
Union as expediter, (1957).

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1953).

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1951).

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On April 1, 1958, [redacted] Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated, made available the records of that Bureau concerning [redacted] which reflected the following information:

Name

Residences

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1950).

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1952,1953).

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1956,1957).

Wife

Employments

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1952,1954).

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, Salesman,  
(1953-1956).

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, (1954).

On March 31, 1958, [redacted]  
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised that they did not recall furnishing bail to the subject in the early 1930's. ANGELO stated that he has operated a barber shop at that address for over thirty years but did not recall ever knowing the subject. He related that it is possible that the subject could have been a customer of his in the early 1930's.

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According to [redacted]  
[redacted] did not live at 2614 Lowe, Chicago, Illinois, and they did not know their whereabouts. They stated that they did not know [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

On March 31, 1958, [redacted] Attorney, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised that he recalled defending the subject in a case involving stolen bonds in the early 1930's but his file concerning this case had been destroyed. He stated that he recalled that the subject operated a tavern in the basement of a building which has since been torn down on the northeast corner of Monroe and Dearborn Streets, Chicago, Illinois, at the time he was defending the subject.

The files of the Chicago Office reflect that [redacted] Attorney, was interviewed on November 28, 1956, by SAs [redacted] and CURTIS HESTER at which time he was not co-operative. It is felt that [redacted] would not be co-operative in furnishing information concerning the subject.

A review of Chicago files failed to reflect additional association with SAM BATTAGLIA or JOHN WOLEK.

A review of Chicago files failed to reflect any information indicating subject's first wife was the daughter of ALEXANDER GREENBERG.

SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: April 18, 1958

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-437)

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b7cSUBJECT: LEW FARRELL, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the report of SA [redacted] dated and captioned as above at Chicago.

REFERENCES

Report of SA [redacted] dated 2/21/58 at Omaha.  
Report of SA [redacted] dated 3/7/58 at Chicago.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The pretext telephone calls set forth in referenced report were made by SA [redacted] on March 28, 1958.

The records of the Chicago Police Department were checked on March 27, 1958 by Investigative Clerk [redacted]

The records of the Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated were checked on March 27, 1958, and April 1, 1958, by Investigative Clerk [redacted]

SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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- 2 - Omaha (92-74) (Encls. 2)
- 1 - Chicago

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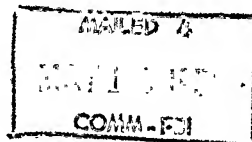
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Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>"CHANGED" LEW FARRELL, was. Lew F. Farrell, etc.</b>		Report made by <b>[REDACTED]</b>	Typed By: <b>PER</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

## Synopsis:

FARRELL reported as good friend of JAMES HOFFA, Teamsters Union President and as claiming to be in frequent and sometimes daily contact with HOFFA. Contradictory opinions set forth regarding influence and standing of FARRELL in Teamsters Union circles. Numerous telephone calls made during 1958 from subject's residence to residence of [REDACTED] subject, who has violent criminal background. Numerous telephone calls made during 1958 from subject's residence to AlSCO Nebraska Corporation, Ralston, Nebr. Unsubstantiated information obtained indicating subject a backer of World Wide Distributors, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa. Examination of bank records for April and May, 1958, disclose cash deposits only; \$2,084.61 deposit in subject's bank account in 9/57 determined to be proceeds of borrowing by subject on seven life insurance policies with Bankers Life Insurance Company on lives of two of his sons. Explanation of subject's activities in Omaha on 2/28/58 set forth. Subject flew to Tulsa, Okla. 4/16/58 where met by two unknown men in car with Nebraska license; one of the men tentatively identified as [REDACTED] also probably identical to man in contact with FARRELL in Omaha 3/1/58. [REDACTED] a known

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in Charge

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bootlegger and gambler. Names and addresses of subject's brothers and sisters set forth. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE, CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

The title of this case is being marked changed to denote the addition of the name LEW F. FARRELL, as an alias of the subject, as indicated by the records of the Bankers Life Insurance Company.

Lettered and numbered headings and sub-headings in this report, as well as captions for various headings follow the same pattern as has been used in previous reports in this matter in order to continue a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

All confidential informants referred to in this matter have furnished reliable information in the past with the exception of Confidential Informants Omaha T-6, T-7, and T-16, who have furnished insufficient information by which to judge their reliability.

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND:

(6) Close Relatives:

Summarized herein is information developed and reported in detail by the Chicago Division pertaining to subject's brothers and sisters, which has heretofore not appeared under this caption. Sources for this information were Credit Bureau and Police Agency Records in the Chicago, Illinois, area.

Subject is the son of Italian-born parents and one of a family of five sons and four daughters, all of whom are or have been married. Subject's brothers are CARMEN, [redacted] and [redacted] all of whom use the surname of FRATTO. His sisters are Mrs. LILLIAN STELLATO, Mrs. ROSE DACEY, Mrs. [redacted] and [redacted]. All of the above named reside in Chicago, Illinois, with the exception of CARMEN FRATTO, who resides in Cicero, Illinois, a Chicago suburb. Last known addresses for these persons are set forth under the caption "Physical Description."

Additional information regarding brothers CARMEN and FRANK FRATTO, who have criminal records, is set forth under "Associates" inasmuch as investigation has disclosed telephone calls from subject's residential telephone to the residences of these two brothers.

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C. ASSOCIATES:

- (1) General remarks from [ ] and [ ]  
Des Moines, Iowa:

[ ] Pure Carbonic Company, 1000 Cherry Street, Des Moines, Iowa, on May 22, 1958, advised he has been casually acquainted with LEW FARRELL for approximately ten years. He stated he first met FARRELL when an informal group of Des Moines businessmen, who were meeting periodically at various restaurants about town, began inviting as their "guests," various local citizens who were somewhat notorious as operating on the edge of the law. He said it was strictly for amusement on the part of his group and that FARRELL had been invited shortly after he had appeared before the Kefauver Crime Committee hearings. [ ] advised that since that time, he has occasionally had a drink or coffee with FARRELL when they happened to meet in Des Moines or Omaha, Nebraska, and that on one occasion he was invited to lunch at FARRELL's home.

[ ] stated that he has occasionally seen FARRELL at the Blackstone Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska, in company with several Teamsters Union officials such as [ ] RICHARD KAVNER, PETER CAPELLUPO, and [ ] (phonetic). He stated on some of these occasions, he had joined the group in a drink and during the conversation which ensued, he formed the opinion that FARRELL carried considerable weight and authority in the Teamsters Union. He stated that the conversations would occasionally and briefly turn to union matters, at which times FARRELL would speak up and state that thus and so should be done and the others in the group would "bow and scrape" and defer to FARRELL's decisions and recommendations. [ ] stated he had never noticed this deference on the part of [ ] but had noticed it on the part of the others named. [ ] stated it was his recollection that [ ] was an important Teamsters Union official from St. Louis, Missouri.

[ ] stated FARRELL has, on numerous occasions, claimed to be a close and good friend of JIMMY HOFFA President of the Teamsters, and has stated that he is in frequent and sometimes daily communication with HOFFA by telephone. [ ] stated he could not prove it, but that he "knows". FARRELL is close to HOFFA. [ ] stated he feels certain that FARRELL

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makes many long distance telephone calls from public telephones and not from his own residence. He stated he recalled one occasion when he and FARRELL rode from Omaha to Des Moines by plane and that he had accompanied FARRELL to Willie's Pizzaria, 506 Clifton, which restaurant is operated by [ ] relative of FARRELL, and that FARRELL, on arrival there, had obtained a large supply of change and had entered the public telephone booth in that restaurant and had commenced to make telephone calls.

[ ] stated that on several occasions in the past year, he has seen FARRELL in company with Confidential Informant Omaha T-10, at which times they appeared to be in serious conversation. He stated he has seen FARRELL and T-10 together both in Omaha and in Des Moines. LOWE described T-10 as a legitimate businessman and a fine man, and expressed wonder at the association.

[ ] advised that FARRELL has spoken of being well acquainted with the following individuals located in Omaha: TONY ~~PURCELLO~~, TONY ~~ODDO~~, and a "KING ~~GEORGE~~", who is affiliated with the Blue Line Transfer in Omaha.

[ ] stated that one time during the Winter of 1957 - 1958, he had observed FARRELL in conversation with a distinguished-looking man in the lobby of the Blackstone Hotel. He stated the man was perhaps in his 40's, and looked "like a Harvard or Princeton man." He said FARRELL had spoken to him, [ ] and stated he would meet him later in the bar and that shortly thereafter, FARRELL had joined him at the bar and had tossed on the bar an envelope for [ ] to look at. [ ] stated the envelope contained one hundred \$20.00 bills. He advised that FARRELL had stated that the man had owed him the \$2000.00 for a long time and that he had told the man to pay up "or else." [ ] stated he had formed the opinion the man was an attorney from some remark that FARRELL had made.

[ ] advised that he knows of no close associates of FARRELL in Des Moines, Iowa, but has seen FARRELL in company with one [ ] (phonetic) and that FARRELL, at one time, had been attempting to get a job for [ ]. He stated he has also seen FARRELL in company with [ ], a brother-in-law of FARRELL.

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LOWE advised that one [redacted] Drive, Des Moines, Iowa, had been quite friendly with FARRELL and had seemed to take an interest in FARRELL. He stated FARRELL had been in the habit of dropping in at the [redacted] residence with various out-of-town friends and thus showing off his acquaintance with [redacted] whom [redacted] described as a very wealthy man. He stated, however, that it is his opinion that JERRELL has not been as close to FARRELL in the past several months as he was in the past.

[redacted] Manager, 7-Up Bottling Company, 1507 East Grand, Des Moines, Iowa, on May 14, 1958, advised he has been casually acquainted with LEW FARRELL for eight or ten years. He stated he occasionally sees FARRELL around Des Moines and sometimes has coffee with him. [redacted] stated that at one time he had turned to FARRELL for assistance in union negotiations with the Teamsters Union but had never observed that FARRELL had been able to do him any good.

It will be noted details of the [redacted] - FARRELL association in labor negotiations have previously been reported.

[redacted] stated he has actually only seen FARRELL twice during 1958. He described the incidents as follows:

He stated in early February, 1958, he was having coffee in the Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa, with several other men, when FARRELL happened to pass by and sat down to join [redacted] and the others in drinking coffee. FARRELL was accompanied by one [redacted] (phonetic) and FARRELL stated he was attempting to get [redacted] a job. The significant feature of this incident, [redacted] stated, occurred at the end of the coffee break, when it came time to pay for the coffee and doughnuts eaten by the group. The bill came to perhaps \$1.15 and FARRELL insisted on paying for the group, even though [redacted] kidded FARRELL about being unemployed and that he should allow [redacted] to pay for it inasmuch as [redacted] did have a job. He stated FARRELL had paid for the bill with a twenty-dollar bill and had left perhaps 85¢ in change as a tip. [redacted] stated it was an obvious attempt on FARRELL's part to show off his readiness with cash. [redacted] further advised that FARRELL was wearing a sport shirt that was probably worth \$35.00 or \$40.00.

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He stated the only other time he has seen FARRELL in 1958, was on Tuesday, May 6, 1958, when FARRELL wandered into the Raccoon Valley Drive Club, 2510 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, at lunch time where [ ] and several business associates were having lunch. He stated FARRELL had exchanged greetings, stated he was looking for someone, but had apparently mistaken the place or time, and had then left.

[ ] stated he does not know what FARRELL does to earn money, that FARRELL has no apparent means of support, and yet dresses very expensively and always seems to have plenty of money.

(2) Telephone Calls 11/15/57 to 3/12/58:

Information previously reported set out a list of telephone calls made from the subject's residential telephone or charged to that telephone during the period November 15, 1957, to March 12, 1958. Results of investigation pertaining to calls previously listed and not yet reported are set forth below. Listed initially will be the number called, city where located, identifying information regarding the subscriber, and comments regarding subscriber, if pertinent:

<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	<u>Comments</u>
CEntral 6-5561	Chicago, Illinois	American Guild of Variety Artists 54 West Randolph Street Chicago, Illinois	See Below
SPring 4-3090	Chicago, Illinois	[ ] Chicago, unlisted	See Below
TOwnhall 3-0590	Cicero, Illinois	[ ] Cicero, Illinois	See Below
SEeley 8-3197	Chicago, Illinois	[ ] Street, Chicago	See Below
HArrison 1-2388	Kansas City, Missouri	NIGRO CLINIC 122 McGee, Kansas City, Missouri	See Associates under Dr. D.M. NIGRO

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<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Valentine 1-6992	Kansas City, Missouri	Dr. D. M. NIGRO 207 East 51st Terrace Kansas City, Missouri	See Associates, Under Dr. D.M. NIGRO
TAylor 2-2122	Minneapolis Minnesota	Lake Street Liquor Store 9 East Lake Street Minneapolis, Minnesota	See Below b6 b7C
FEderal 3-6763	Minneapolis	Addison's Bar, 1504 East Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis	See Below
TE 1-5716	Detroit Michigan	Unpublished number in name of [redacted] Suite 206, Belcrest Hotel, Detroit	See Associates, under [redacted] [redacted]
FA 1-1151	Detroit Michigan	Alamo Motel, 2700 Woodward Avenue, Detroit	See Below

Source for information regarding identity of the above-listed telephone numbers is as follows:

Chicago numbers

[redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] from the Illinois  
Bell Telephone Directory for  
Chicago, Illinois; [redacted]  
[redacted] from Confidential  
Informant Omaha T-1

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Cicero number

From Confidential Informant  
Omaha T-1

Kansas City number

Criss-Cross Telephone Directory

Minneapolis numbers

Confidential Informant Omaha  
T-2

Detroit numbers

[redacted] from Confidential  
Informant Omaha T-3; [redacted]  
from Criss-Cross Directory

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Information regarding Spring 4-3090, reported in detail by the Chicago Office, disclosed this to be an unlisted number to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. Investigation in Chicago disclosed [redacted] Chicago, to be a one-family dwelling occupied for the past two years by [redacted] and his family. Additional information on [redacted] will be found under "Associates."

Information regarding Townhall 3-0590, as developed by the Chicago Division, disclosed [redacted], listed subscriber, to be identical to [redacted] CARMEN FRATTO, who, with her husband and children, resides at 1632 Central, Cicero, Illinois. Information on CARMEN FRATTO will be found under "Associates."

BIANCA FRATTO, 825 South Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois, listed subscriber to SKeley 8-3197, is presumably subject's mother, it being noted subject's mother has previously been reported as BIANCA FRATTO, residing at 825 South Leavitt Street, Chicago.

Lake Street Liquor Store and Addison's Bar, both located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and listed subscribers to Taylor 2-2122 and Federal 3-6763 respectively, were locations where subject's telephone calls requested the party to be called as [redacted] Information regarding [redacted] has previously been reported.

As previously reported, telephone calls from subject's residential telephone to FA 1-1151, Detroit, Michigan, included the request to talk to [redacted] In this connection, it is to be noted that investigation in Detroit on April 14, 1958, included an interview with [redacted] Alamo Motel, 2700 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, who advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] [redacted] at the Alamo Motel continuously from January 1, 1958, to February 5, 1958. He stated [redacted] had occupied Room [redacted] at a rate of \$200.00 per month, and had listed a residence of [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri, and his business as "Central Conference of Teamsters." Information regarding [redacted] has previously been reported.

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Information previously set forth disclosed a telephone call from subject's residential phone to telephone identified as that of [redacted] Attorney, with offices at [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa.

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[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, on May 16, 1958, advised he has never personally met LEW FARRELL, knows him only by reputation, and has had only one or two contacts with FARRELL, which were by telephone. He stated he represented a client to whom FARRELL might have been financially responsible, and that he had telephonically contacted FARRELL and made inquiry concerning this debt, and had been informed by FARRELL that he, FARRELL, had no connection with the enterprise. [redacted] stated he was unable to provide any additional information.

(3) Telephone Calls 3/13/58 to 4/13/58:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4, on April 18, 1958, advised the following long distance telephone calls were made either from ATLantic 2-5937, which phone is charged to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa, or were charged to that number. The period involved is from March 13, 1958, to April 13, 1958. T-4 further advised that he had been able to ascertain the identity of several of the numbers called or called from as indicated:

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>
3/13/58	Chicago Illinois	CH 3-6900	(First asked for [redacted] then in substitution, asked for [redacted])
3/20/58	Minneapolis Minnesota	TA 2-2122	[redacted]
3/20/58	Omaha, Nebraska	OR 3500	[redacted] (phonetic) (Per T-4, call made from CH 3-9647, identified as B & B Parking, 600 7th, Des Moines, Iowa, and charged to FARRELL's number; Omaha number identified by T-4 as the Alsco Nebraska Corporation 72nd and U Streets, Ralston, Nebraska.)
3/21/58	Omaha, Nebraska	WE 0600	(Identified by T-4 as [redacted] [redacted] Omaha.) (Actual address is [redacted] Omaha.)

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>
3/22/58	Chicago Illinois	SP 4-3090	
4/4/58	Kansas City, Missouri	DE 3-0018	Dr. D. M. NIGRO, SR.
4/5/58	Chicago Illinois	MO 6-0329	

(4) Telephone Calls 4/13/58 to 5/12/58:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 on May 21, 1958, advised the following long distance telephone calls were charged to AT 2-5937, which telephone is charged to LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa. T-4 stated the period covered is from April 13, 1958, to May 12, 1958:

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>
4/13/58	Chicago Illinois	SP 4-3090		
4/14/58	Minneapolis, Minnesota	FE 2-8911		
4/15/58	Omaha, Nebraska	WA 7418		
4/24/58	Omaha	JA 4390		
4/24/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090		
4/28/58	Omaha	RE 9818		
4/30/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090		
5/1/58	Omaha	WE 0600	Asked for [ ] [ ] then talked to party who answered	11:35 a.m.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>
5/1/58	Omaha	AT 1234		12:08 p.m.
5/1/58	Omaha	WE 0600		12:10 p.m.
5/1/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090		2:30 p.m.
5/2/58	Omaha	AT 3762		2:40 p.m.
5/2/58	Minneapolis	WA 7-8773		4:30 p.m.
5/12/58	Chicago	TA 9-3798		8:30 a.m.

(5) Associates Background:

Set forth below are names and pertinent background information on persons identified as having some association with the subject who have not previously been reported under this caption. Source material for this information is either set forth in detail elsewhere in this report or has been furnished as a result of investigations conducted by the Detroit or Chicago Offices:

(a) Teamsters Union Associates:

[redacted]  
Belcrest Hotel  
Detroit, Michigan

Information set forth elsewhere in this report indicates telephone calls were made by subject to [redacted] on February 17 and 18, 1958. Detroit Division has furnished information disclosing [redacted] as of September, 1954, was [redacted] of the Welfare Fund of the Teamsters Union, 2741 Trumbull Street, Detroit; further, that [redacted] in March, 1955, gave his address as the Teamsters Union, [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri and further, that [redacted] wife had reported to Confidential Informant Omaha T-5 on July 6, 1955, that when [redacted] told [redacted] to do something, that [redacted] did it without question.

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[redacted]  
(Phonetic)  
Teamsters Union  
St. Louis, Missouri

Reported by [redacted] as one of several Teamsters Union officials with whom FARRELL has been seen at the Blackstone Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska.

(b) Criminal Associates:

Dr. DOMINICK  
MICHAEL NIGRO  
207 East 51st  
Terrace, Kansas  
City, Missouri

As previously reported, NIGRO telephoned FARRELL to arrange delivery of bail bond money for [redacted] Kansas City hoodlums in 1947. Investigation has disclosed FARRELL's telephone calls to NIGRO on January 8, 1958, and April 4, 1958. The Kansas City Division reported NIGRO convicted in 1940 of violations of Narcotics Act. Confidential Informant Omaha T-6 on April 21, 1958, advised that NIGRO is a close friend and consultant of [redacted] and ALEXANDER PRESTA, all Kansas City Top Hoodlums.

[redacted]  
FBI # [redacted]

Individual possibly identical to [redacted] met subject at Tulsa, Oklahoma airport, April 16, 1958. Individual driving car with same license plate as on [redacted] car at Tulsa was observed talking to subject at Hotel Blackstone, Omaha, on March 1, 1958. [redacted] is a known bootlegger and gambler and was last known to have been convicted in March, 1955, in U.S. District Court, Tulsa, on liquor violation charges. [redacted] may reside at [redacted] Street, Omaha, Nebraska. See "Travel" for details.

[redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

Subject's brother, born [redacted] arrested by FBI April 24, 1951, in case involving theft of 500 cases of whiskey from an interstate shipment, placed on three years probation on April 3, 1952.

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FRATTO reported to have been fingerman in killing of CHARLEY "CHERRY NOSE" GIOE in 1954, reported to have bragged of being in on brutal torture - murder killing in Chicago area in late 1940's, reported to have killed Deputy Sheriff in Chicago in early 1940's. Telephone calls from subject's residence to residence of [redacted] made on November 21, 1957; January 4, 19, 31, 1958; February 24; March 22; April 13, 24, 30, and May 1, 1958.

~~CARMEN FRATTO, wa.~~  
~~Carmen Frank~~  
~~1632 Central~~  
~~Cicero, Illinois~~

Subject's brother, born about 1907, arrested at Cicero, Illinois, January 15, 1955, and charged with murder (homicide). No billed in January, 1955. Last known employment (as of 1954) bailiff in Cook County Building. Telephone call to this residence from subject's residence on January 7, 1958.

(c) Miscellaneous Associates:

~~JOHN P. MAINELLI~~  
~~1340 South 90th~~  
~~Street, Omaha,~~  
~~Nebraska~~

As previously reported, subject deposited a \$500.00 bank draft in his bank account in July, 1956, which draft was from MAINELLI. The Omaha World Herald, April 10, 1958, reported MAINELLI had settled a \$320,000.00 income tax claim with the Federal Government for \$228,000.00.

[redacted]  
(Phonetic)  
Omaha, Nebraska

Named by [redacted] as an individual claimed by FARRELL as an Omaha friend.

[redacted]  
Blue Line Transfer  
Company, Omaha,

Named by [redacted] as an individual claimed by FARRELL as an Omaha friend.

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GEORGE NAHAS  
RE 9818  
Omaha, Nebraska

Person-to-person telephone call from subject's residence directed to this individual on April 28, 1958.

JOHN HURLEY  
AT 3762  
Omaha, Nebraska

Person-to-person telephone call from subject's residence directed to this individual on May 2, 1958. HURLEY may be identical to Administrative Assistant to Vice President of Watson Brothers Transfer Company, whose interview is set forth elsewhere in this report.

[redacted]  
Drive, Des Moines,  
Iowa

Named by [redacted] as a wealthy man who has taken an interest in FARRELL, and who, until recent months, has been friendly with FARRELL.

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Named by [redacted] as an associate of FARRELL's who was being assisted by FARRELL in getting a job in Des Moines, Iowa.

[redacted]  
Des Moines, Iowa

Named by [redacted] as a brother-in-law of FARRELL.

D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES:

(1) Gambling:

(a) Downtown Businessmen's Club:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-7 on May 14, 1958, advised he had been a partner of subject's in the Downtown Businessmen's Club, which had operated in Des Moines, Iowa, during the 1940's. He stated FARRELL was a full partner in the club and shared equally with the other twelve partners in the profits of the club. T-7 stated FARRELL never came near the club and took no active part in its management.

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(b) Mainliner Night Club:

Information previously set forth under this caption quoted the Des Moines Register of October 8, 1942, to the effect that LEW FARRELL had allegedly displayed a revolver and used threats in an effort to enforce demands for money made to [ ] then operator of the Mainliner Night Club, 6001 Southwest 21st Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

On May 14, 1958, Confidential Informant Omaha T-8 advised that he had been present when FARRELL had made his demand on [ ] to pay back money that FARRELL thought [ ] owed him. T-8 stated he had been extremely excited at the time as was everyone else who was present, and that he could not recall personally seeing FARRELL display a revolver, but he does recall that others who were there claimed that FARRELL was waving a revolver around. T-8 stated that [ ] had run into the club and had returned carrying a shotgun which [ ] pointed at FARRELL and which had the immediate effect of making FARRELL shut up in his demands on [ ]

T-8 stated that FARRELL was responsible for some of the money invested in the club, but that FARRELL had not been supposed to share in the profits or to have any share in the club. He stated the money furnished through FARRELL had been paid back as a regular loan and was not an investment as such in the club.

(2) Assistance to [ ] in 1957:

As previously reported, newspaper articles and testimony before the Senate Crime Committee in March, 1951, disclosed that FARRELL had been involved in the delivery of bail bond money for [ ] at the time of their arrest and incarceration at Harlan, Iowa, on a charge of armed robbery in 1947.

Investigation conducted at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on March 31, 1958, developed the following information:

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[redacted] Gargotta's Produce, 1608 East Admiral, Tulsa, Oklahoma, informed SA HENRY L. McCONNELL on March 31, 1958, that he was unable to recognize the photograph of LEW FARRELL. However, he informed that he, [redacted] and his brother, [redacted], were arrested during 1947 in Iowa, he believed Harlan, on a charge of armed robbery. [redacted] had made a telephone call to Kansas City to his associates whom [redacted] could not now recall, and a man recalled as LEW FARRELL appeared at either the Police Department or the Sheriff's Office where the [redacted] were being held. FARRELL had a cashier's check for \$30,000.00 to use as bail. The local law enforcement agency insisted that the bail be posted in cash and be held on deposit in a local bank. Some difficulty was had by FARRELL in getting the cashier's check cashed at the local bank in this small community since the bank did not carry that much cash on hand.

After the release of both [redacted] from this charge, [redacted] drove to Omaha, Nebraska, where they stopped for the night at a local hotel, which identity is not now recalled. It was the vague recollection of [redacted] that LEW FARRELL had ridden from the community where they had been arrested, to Omaha with them on that date.

[redacted] explained that he had gotten "fed up" with the rackets in the Kansas City area, where he had formerly operated as a gambler, and had moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, approximately six years ago. Since then, he had made it a point to lose all contact with his former associates.

[redacted] explained that he knew FARRELL well by reputation during the 1940's, but did not have too much contact with him personally. All he could recall was that FARRELL was a "racketeer big shot" in Iowa and Nebraska areas with connections in Chicago, Kansas City, and St. Louis, Missouri. He could not recall the details of these "connections," but was sure that FARRELL was associated with the underworld in those areas in unrecalled form.

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[ ] declared that he had no contact with FARRELL personally or by rumor since leaving Kansas City, Missouri, and moving to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that such recollection as he now had was quite vague and indefinite. How FARRELL happened to be the one to appear with the bail for himself and his brother could not be recalled by [ ]. According to him, his brother, [ ] had made the phone call to associates in Kansas City at the time of their arrest as above described, and FARRELL had appeared with the bail. It was the recollection of [ ] that FARRELL had not posted the bond, but merely had delivered the check at the request of friends of [ ] in Kansas City, Missouri.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES:

(1) Connections in the Teamsters Union:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 advised in May, 1958, that JAMES HOFFA, President of the Teamsters Union, had informed him personally that LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa, was a good friend of his. T-9 stated HOFFA did not elaborate on this statement.

As set forth elsewhere in this report, [ ] advised on May 22, 1958, he has observed subject in company with Teamsters Union officials [ ] RICHARD KAVNER, PETE CAPELLUPO, and [ ] which gatherings were observed to take place at the Hotel Blackstone, Omaha, Nebraska. [ ] advised FARRELL appeared to have considerable weight and authority in union matters within this group.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-10 on April 15, 1958, advised he had sought the assistance of FARRELL with some labor difficulties and that FARRELL had apparently made some efforts to help him, but without success. T-10 commented that FARRELL did not appear to have much influence with [ ] [ ] Teamsters Union Representatives in Des Moines, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska, respectively, and that [ ] have indicated to T-10 that they did not think much of FARRELL.



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Confidential Informant Omaha T-10 on April 15, 1958, advised he had observed subject in company with two men of Italian appearance at Rocky's Restaurant in Des Moines, Iowa, in the latter part of February, 1958. He stated he learned at that time that FARRELL was introducing the men as a truck driver from New Jersey and as a Teamsters Union representative from New Jersey, and as "delegates." T-10 stated it was not clarified as to what they were delegates.

- (2) Alsco Nebraska Corporation  
72nd and U Streets  
Ralston, Nebraska

Information previously reported has disclosed telephone calls have been directed to ORchard 3500, Omaha, Nebraska, identified by Confidential Informant Omaha T-4 as the telephone number for the above-designated organization. As previously set forth, telephone calls have been directed to this number from subject's residence on the following dates: January 22; February 3,4,8,18,19; March 12,20, 1958.

Telephone calls on January 22 and February 18, 1958, included the request for "LARRY," possibly LARRY MITILIER, on whom information has previously been set forth. Telephone call on March 20, 1958, included the request for [redacted] (phonetic). No information is available at this time on [redacted]

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- (3) Restaurant Proprietor:

[redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, on May 22, 1958, advised he is a social acquaintance of subject and has known him casually for the past ten years. [redacted] stated FARRELL claims to have a half interest in Hymie's Drive-In located on Fleur Drive, in Des Moines, Iowa.

- (4) World Wide Distributors, Inc.  
Des Moines, Iowa

Confidential Informant Omaha T-11 on May 17, 1958, advised he had received information from a source he considered reliable, that FARRELL was one of several backers of an organization known as WorldWide Distributors, Inc., which T-11 described as a large organization with headquarters possibly in Detroit, Michigan, and which had the backing of a number of labor officials, including JIMMY HOFFA of the Teamsters Union. T-11 stated it was his understanding that

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World Wide Distributors, Inc., through the cooperation of a Government official, was buying up merchandise which had originally been shipped out to overseas bases for sale in military exchanges. He stated it was his understanding that other backers in this organization included a Dr. NIGRO of Kansas City, and a labor official named KAVNER from St. Louis. T-11 further advised that it was his further understanding that the American Pen Company of St. Louis was a subsidiary of the World Wide Distributors, Inc.

It will be noted that information set forth above was developed as a result of investigation into the apparent theft of \$6,365.14 worth of cameras, watches, radios, shavers, and golf equipment from two shipments of merchandise from the American Pen Company, 3172 South Grand, St. Louis, Missouri, to the World Wide Distributors, Inc., 215 Third Street, Des Moines, Iowa, on April 28 and 29, 1958, via the Watson Brothers Transportation Company of Omaha, Nebraska.

On May 19, 1958, at Des Moines, Iowa, a review of the records of the Secretary of State, State House, Des Moines, Iowa, disclosed that the World Wide Distributing Company, Incorporated, 215 3rd Street, Des Moines, Iowa, was incorporated on April 1, 1958, with incorporates and officers recorded as LOUIS POMERANTZ, President and Treasurer; and GEORGE POLSKY, Vice President and Secretary.

It will be noted that [redacted] supra, is a brother of [redacted] Operators of the Midwest Burlap and Bag Company, Des Moines, Iowa; further, that allegations were made on February 14, 1957, that FARRELL was engaged in illegal union activities involving [redacted] Details of this matter have previously been reported. [redacted] supra, is listed in the Des Moines City Directory as a buyer for Midwest Burlap and Bag Company.

[redacted] of the World Wide Distributor's, Incorporated, 215 3rd Street, Des Moines, Iowa, on May 19, 1958, advised his organization is not affiliated with any other organization and that its only office is located in Des Moines, Iowa. He stated his company has no connection with the American Pen Company and that he had never met the owner of that company until about one month ago, when they began making arrangements to do business.

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An article appearing in the Des Moines Sunday Register newspaper, issue of May 18, 1958, reported on the opening of the World Wide Distributing Company, described as a retail discount and importing firm. The article reported the company is an Iowa distributor of imported items from Japan, Holland, Italy and England, and at retail will handle small appliances, cameras, toys, jewelry and watches, sports equipment and power tools. Officers named were LOU POMERANTZ, President, GEORGE POLSKY, Vice President, and ED KETCH, General Manager. Location of the company was at 215 - 19 Third Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

(5) Politics:

JOHN HURLEY, Administrative Assistant to the Vice President, Watson Brothers Transportation Company, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 17, 1958, advised he has been acquainted with LEW FARRELL for many years. He stated he has had occasion to use FARRELL in a political way. He explained that as a trucking company official, he has an interest in various state laws which affect the operation of trucks on the highways and that in this connection, he was attempting to influence the election of a candidate who was opposing a state representative from Omaha, who had demonstrated his antagonism toward what he, HURLEY, considered the best interests of the trucking industry. He stated he had determined that the Italian vote in Omaha might well be decisive and he had, therefore, contacted FARRELL and inquired if FARRELL had any influence in the Italian population in Omaha. He stated FARRELL had replied that he could help HURLEY and had made several telephone calls which had resulted in contacts with HURLEY by Italians in Omaha who had assisted greatly in HURLEY's election efforts.

(6) The Diplomat Club  
434<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Keosauqua Way  
Des Moines, Iowa

Confidential Informant Omaha T-12 on May 20, 1958, advised that [redacted] in the fall of 1957, [redacted] the Diplomat Club located at 434<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Keosauqua Way, Des Moines, Iowa, a key club. He stated the lease for this space expired and that when [redacted] attempted to renew the lease, the owners of the building refused to accept [redacted] inasmuch as they did not consider [redacted]

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[ ] then turned to LEW FARRELL who informed the owners of the building that he would be responsible for [ ] lease; however, this verbal promise was not considered sufficient and at the insistence of the owners, FARRELL on October 5, 1957, signed the lease with [ ]

[ ] T-12 stated he felt certain that FARRELL had no part in the operation of the Diplomat Club and had signed the lease only as a favor to [ ] He stated FARRELL had warned that his participation in the lease should be kept secret or the resulting bad publicity would hurt the club.

T-12 stated the lease is still in effect and would remain in effect for four years from the date of the signing, unless the owners would allow the new operator of the club, [ ] to sign a new lease. T-12 stated that a new city ordinance which gravely restricted the operation of key clubs, had forced [ ] with the space at 434 $\frac{1}{2}$  Keosauqua Way.

(7) Examination of Bank Records:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-13 on May 13, 1958, advised subject's checking account at the Bankers Trust Company in April, 1957, recorded no deposits and only three disbursements, as follows: \$10.00 on April 2, 1958; \$1.40 on April 15, 1958, and \$50.00 on April 24, 1958, resulting in a balance at the end of April of \$22.18.

T-13 stated that subject's checking account during May, 1958, up to and including May 12, 1958, recorded two deposits as follows: \$200.00 on May 2, 1958, and \$125.00 on May 12, 1958, both in cash. Three checks, each for cash, were on file as disbursements, leaving the balance as of May 12, 1958, to be \$272.12.

As previously reported, examination of subject's bank account disclosed a deposit in his account on September 3, 1957, of a check for \$2,084.61, which check was identified as being from the Bankers Life Insurance Company, Des Moines, Iowa.

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-14 on May 13, 1958, advised a check for \$2,084.61 was drawn on the Bankers Life Insurance Company of Des Moines, payable to subject, which check was the sum of amounts borrowed by subject on seven separate life insurance policies taken out on two children of the subject. T-14 stated of the seven policies borrowed on as stated above, four were on the life of one [redacted] and three on the life of one THOMAS J. F. FARRELL, the father of both of these persons being listed as LEW F. FARRELL. T-11 stated the policies are still in force.

F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENTS AND HANGOUTS:

[redacted] supra, on May 22, 1958, advised from his knowledge of the subject, he would consider Hymie's Drive-In on Fleur Drive, and Willie's Pizzaria, 506 Clifton, both in Des Moines, Iowa, to be the most consistent spots where subject might be found when moving around in Des Moines, Iowa. He stated that in Omaha, Nebraska, subject normally stayed at the Blackstone Hotel.

G. TRAVEL:

- (1) Activities in Omaha, Nebraska, February 28, 1958, and March 1, 1958:

Reference is made to information previously set forth under the above caption wherein results of surveillance of subject on February 28, 1958, disclosed he had met, dined and drank with [redacted] of Des Moines, Iowa, and [redacted] at the Blackstone Hotel on the evening of February 28, 1958.

[redacted], Manager, 7-Up Bottling Company, Des Moines, Iowa, on May 14, 1958, advised he is a close friend of [redacted], Manager of the Pure Carbonic Company, Des Moines, Iowa, and that he and [redacted] share a baffled interest in FARRELL and exchange stories about FARRELL whenever the occasion presents itself. He stated that [redacted] had informed him of an incident involving FARRELL, which took place during the latter part of February, 1958, at the Hotel Blackstone in Omaha. [redacted] had described it as follows:

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[ ] had been attending a bottling convention in Grand Island, Nebraska, and had been invited by [ ] Owner of the Blackstone Hotel in Omaha, to have [ ] meet him in Omaha and to have dinner with the [ ] at the hotel. Accordingly, the arrangements were made and when [ ] arrived at the Hotel Blackstone to meet his wife, he found himself being greeted by FARRELL, who expressed surprise at seeing [ ] and who inquired as to [ ] plans for the evening. Under FARRELL's questioning, [ ] informed him of the [ ] invitation to the [ ]. Early that evening while the [ ] and the [ ] were having a drink in the [ ] hotel room, FARRELL knocked on the door, invited himself in and insisted on buying drinks for the group and eventually ate with the other four and insisted on buying the dinner for everyone.

(2) Activities at Tulsa, Oklahoma, April 16, 1958:

On April 15, 1958, Confidential Informant Omaha T-15, advised that LEW FARRELL was planning to take a Braniff Airways flight to Tulsa, Oklahoma, on April 16, 1958. T-15 on April 16, 1958, advised FARRELL had departed Des Moines on April 16, 1958, at 8:49 a.m., via Braniff Flight 395 bound for Tulsa, Oklahoma.

On April 16, 1958, at 11:25 a.m., subject was observed to arrive at the Tulsa Municipal Airport on Braniff Flight 395 by SAs HENRY L. McCONNELL, BENNIE C. GARREN and [ ]. He was observed to be carrying only one piece of luggage. This consisted of a small rectangular, flat traveling bag or briefcase. He was met at the deplaning ramp by two unidentified individuals. The three proceeded directly to the airport parking lot and entered a 1958 Chevrolet Station Wagon, oxblood or rust top, cream hood and sides with lower portion of body sides the same oxblood or rust, bearing 1958 Nebraska license 1-77488. In addition, there was observed a decal of approximately two inches square in the center at the top of the windshield with the figure "10" on it. The three individuals with FARRELL in the rear seat immediately departed the airport parking lot and proceeded south from Tulsa, Oklahoma, via U.S. Highway 64, to the small town of Haskell, Oklahoma, where they had lunch from 12:52 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. at the "Country Club Restaurant." All three then returned to the station wagon and proceeded directly to McAlester, Oklahoma, via U.S. Highways 62 and 69, arriving at McAlester at 2:25 p.m.

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All three immediately entered the barber shop of the Aldridge Hotel. During the following 45 minutes, the subject and his two companions were observed in the barber shop getting haircuts and shaves. At 4:32 p.m., the subject and his two companions were observed leaving the main entrance of this hotel, enter the same Chevrolet Station Wagon, and then drive to the small community of Krebs, Oklahoma, located 10 miles east of McAlester. During the next 30 minutes, this vehicle and the three occupants were observed driving on the various streets of Krebs in an aimless manner.

The surveillance was temporarily dropped to avoid the subject's becoming aware of the surveillance and the agents posted themselves on the three roads leaving the small community of Krebs.

At approximately 5:03 p.m., the station wagon was observed on the highway departing Krebs en route to McAlester, Oklahoma. Due to the high rate of speed this station wagon was traveling, the agents were unable to maintain the surveillance.

The two individuals who met the subject at the airport and accompanied him, as above recounted, are described as follows:

Unknown Male #1:

Height	5'11"
Weight	180 pounds
Race	White
Age	45
Hair	Slightly gray
Complexion	Medium
Peculiarities	Wore heavy-rimmed glasses and dressed in business suit.

Unknown Male #2:

Height	5'8"
Race	White
Age	40-45
Complexion	Light
Weight	170 pounds
Dress	Dressed in wide-brimmed western hat, khaki or tan-colored trousers and jacket.

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A photograph of [redacted] FBI [redacted] Tulsa County Sheriff's Office [redacted] taken March 30, 1955, was located in the files of that Sheriff's Office. SAs HENRY L. McCONNELL, BENNIE C. GARREN and [redacted] who took subject under surveillance at the Tulsa Municipal Airport on April 16, 1958, viewed the photograph and expressed the opinion that the Unknown Male #1. above, bore a marked resemblance to [redacted]

Confidential Informant Omaha T-16 informed SA BENNIE C. GARREN and SA HENRY L. McCONNELL on April 1, 1958, that she is not acquainted with FARRELL, but that she has been acquainted with ROBERT JAMES MATTHEWS in the past as a friend of [redacted] Operator of Benny's Supper Club, Tulsa, Oklahoma, now under sentence to the Federal Penitentiary on conviction at Tulsa, Oklahoma. She advised that MATTHEWS is a friend of [redacted] Tulsa Bondsman; [redacted] [redacted] now in the Penitentiary for murder in Pennsylvania; [redacted] now in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary for burglary, and [redacted] Tulsa and Creek County, Oklahoma, gambler and bootlegger. T-16 knew nothing of MATTHEWS' current activities, but speculated that wherever he was, he would be connected with bootlegging and gambling activities dealing in large quantities of liquor.

Additional investigation in the Tulsa vicinity failed to produce any pertinent information.

Records of the Nebraska Safety Patrol, Omaha, Nebraska, on April 16, 1958, disclosed that Nebraska license 1-77488 was issued on a 1957 Ford four-door Victoria, blue and ivory in color, to ROBERT J. MATTHEWS, which license issued January 14, 1958. Omaha City Directory discloses a ROBERT J. MATTHEWS at 2858 Iowa Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Records of the Omaha Division disclose a newspaper article appearing in the Sioux City Journal Tribune of March 23, 1955, reported that ROBERT J. MATTHEWS and other conspirators had been described by the Assistant U.S. Attorney to have planned to bring 2000 cases of liquor into the State of Oklahoma each week and to attempt to seek control of bootleg whiskey business in Oklahoma. The files disclose that MATTHEWS was sentenced in U.S. District Court, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on March 15, 1955, to serve one year and pay a fine of \$1000.00 on a charge of conspiracy to transport liquor into the dry state of Oklahoma.



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An anonymous telephone call to the subject's residence on April 25, 1958, disclosed subject was there and had been in Des Moines, Iowa, for several days.

It will be noted observation of subject's activities in Omaha, Nebraska, on March 1, 1958, disclosed that he was in conversation with an unknown individual described as white male, 50 - 53, 6'2", 200 pounds, dark shell-rimmed glasses, dark complexion, who left the hotel and drove away in a 1957 Ford Fairlane, Nebraska license 1-77488, which is the same license reported on the 1958 Chevrolet Station Wagon which met FARRELL in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on April 16, 1958.

It will be further noted that Nebraska law permits the license to follow the owner, rather than the vehicle, which would indicate that the owner of the 1957 Ford and the 1958 Chevrolet mentioned above, could be the same individual.

#### H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-7 advised on May 14, 1958, he had at one time been associated with FARRELL in a gambling operation in Des Moines, Iowa. He stated he is no longer on friendly relations with FARRELL and would gladly furnish information on subject if he knew anything of value. He described FARRELL as a "man of mystery" and stated that one thing was certain in whatever activity FARRELL might be involved in and that was that FARRELL would be well back in the background, so concealed and hidden from view that it would be almost impossible to determine his connection with the business or activity.

[redacted] supra, advised on May 22, 1958, that he has noticed and has had it called to his attention by other acquaintances of FARRELL, that FARRELL is drinking much more than he used to do. He stated FARRELL never used to drink more than an occasional social drink, but that lately he has observed that FARRELL is apparently drinking more than he should. [redacted] also observed that FARRELL is a "name dropper" and a big talker.

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Confidential Informant Omaha T-8, stated on May 14, 1958, he was with FARRELL on the morning of May 14, 1958, at which time FARRELL was taking a great deal of interest in developing backing for the South Side Little League Ballpark, inasmuch as FARRELL's two oldest sons, FRANKIE and TOMMY are ball players in the Little League. T-8 stated this ballpark is located at East Sixth Street and Hillside, Des Moines, Iowa.

I. DESCRIPTION:

Information set forth below will supplement previous data set forth under this caption, and was obtained by inquiry in Chicago, Illinois, from various public sources as detailed by the Chicago Division, but is set forth in this form to incorporate names and last known addresses of subject's immediate family members. Date in parenthesis will indicate date of last inquiry as to address:

Relatives:

Father	THOMAS FRATTO, 825 South Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois (1958)
Mother	BIANCO, also known as BLANCH FRATTO, same as above (1958)
Brother	CARMEN FRATTO, with wife, [redacted] at 1632 Central, Cicero, Illinois (1958)
Brother	[redacted] with wife [redacted] FRATTO, at 6300 North Olcott, Chicago, Illinois (1958)
Brother	[redacted] with wife [redacted] at [redacted], Chicago, Illinois (1951)
Brother	[redacted] with wife [redacted] at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois (1951)
Sister	Mrs. LILLIAN STELLATO, 821 South Leavitt, Chicago (1951)
Sister	Mrs. ROSE DACEY, 825 South Leavitt, Chicago (1951)
Sister	[redacted] Chicago (1951)

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T-1 is a confidential source referred to in Chicago report of SA [ ] dated 4/18/58.

T-2 is [ ] the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, to SA GALE F. LINDSEY, as set out in Minneapolis letter of 5/8/58.

T-3 is [ ] referred to in Detroit letter of 5/6/58.

T-4 is [ ] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted by SA [ ]

T-5 is [ ] referred to in Detroit letter of 3/24/58.

T-6 is Kansas City PCI [ ] interviewed by SA DON W. WALTERS as set forth in Kansas City letter 5/1/58.

T-7 is [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [ ]

T-8 is PCI [ ] interviewed by SA [ ]

T-9 is [ ] Washington Correspondent for the Des Moines Register, to SA [ ] on 5/8/58.

T-10 is Omaha PCI [ ] interviewed by SA [ ]

T-11 is [ ] [ ] Watson Brothers Transfer Company, Omaha, Nebraska, on 5/17/58 to SA [ ]

T-12 is [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [ ]

T-13 is [ ] of the Bankers Trust Company, interviewed by SA [ ]

T-14 is [ ] Bankers Life Insurance Company, Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [ ]

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T-15 is [REDACTED] Braniff Airways, Des Moines, Iowa,  
to SA [REDACTED]

T-16 is Oklahoma City PCI [REDACTED] interviewed by SA BENNIE  
C. GARREN as set forth in Oklahoma City letter 5/8/58.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185) DATE: 6/3/58

FROM: SAC, OMAHA (92-74)

RE: LEW FARRELL, was.  
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(OO: OM)Enclosed is Omaha report of SA [redacted]  
dated 6/3/58.REFERENCES:b6  
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Omaha report of SA [redacted] dated 4/7/58  
Detroit letter to Omaha dated 5/6/58  
Oklahoma City letters to Omaha dated 5/8/58 and 4/3/58  
Minneapolis letter to Omaha dated 5/8/58  
Kansas City letter to Omaha dated 5/1/58  
Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 4/18/58  
Bureau letter to Omaha dated 5/12/58

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Referral/Consult

Omaha letter 3/13/58 to the Bureau requested consideration be given to the obtaining of transcripts of subject's testimony and investigative results of Senate Committees in connection with his appearance before such committees. Bureau letter 3/21/58 requested WFO to obtain such transcripts and investigative results and forward same to the Omaha Division. Results of this request have not yet been furnished this office.

- ② - Bureau (Encls. 2) REC-55  
2 - Chicago (92-437) (Encls. 2)  
2 - Kansas City (92-177) (Encls. 2)  
2 - Minneapolis (92-86) (Encls. 2)  
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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE:

PCI [ ] is quoted in enclosed report.

PCI [ ] is quoted in enclosed report.

In addition thereto, [ ] has furnished background information on the subject which, however, added nothing pertinent to that already obtained and was not included in the report. Contact will be maintained with this informant for additional information as it becomes available to him. In addition, [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, has been interviewed regarding subject.

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[ ] is a former gambler and associate of subject who expressed animosity toward FARRELL and a desire to furnish information. Efforts are being made to develop [ ] as a PCI. As indicated in enclosed report [ ] and [ ] Des Moines businessmen, are acquainted with subject and are providing information on his activities.

LEADS:

In addition to leads previously set forth and not yet reported on, offices receiving copies of this report are requested to conduct investigation as follows:

CHICAGO: At Chicago, Illinois:

Will ascertain the subscriber to the following telephone numbers, to which long distance calls were directed from Des Moines, Iowa - Atlantic 2-5937 - listed to subject's residence. Will contact appropriate sources for background of the subscriber and/or the person named below in connection with that call and will attempt to determine the connection with subject:

CH 3-6900 on 3/12/58, asked first for [ ] then for [ ]  
MO 6-0329 on 4/5/58  
TA 9-3798 on 5/12/58.

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KANSAS CITY: At Kansas City, Missouri:

Will conduct investigation regarding the following telephone number similar to that requested of the Chicago Division:

DE 3-0018 on 4/4/58, asked for Dr. D. M. NIGRO.  
(Will note information pertaining to World Wide Distributors, Inc., refers to Dr. NIGRO of Kansas City as an alleged backer of this organization.)

MINNEAPOLIS: At Minneapolis, Minnesota:

Will conduct investigation regarding the following telephone numbers similar to that requested of the Chicago Division:

WA 7-8773 on 5/2/58, asked for [REDACTED]  
FE 3-9120 on 2/15/58, asked for [REDACTED]

ST. LOUIS: At St. Louis, Missouri:

Will furnish identifying and background information regarding the [REDACTED] (phonetic) referred to in enclosed report as a Teamsters Union official from St. Louis. Will note information pertaining to the World Wide Distributors, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa, as of interest in case entitled, "UNSUB; Theft of Merchandise from Watson Brothers Transportation Company, Omaha, Nebraska, Shipment from St. Louis, Missouri, to Des Moines, Iowa, 4/28/58; TFIS," in which your office has investigative leads. Will note this information refers to RICHARD KAVNER, Teamsters Union official with residence at Kirkwood, Missouri.

OMAHA: At Omaha, Nebraska:

1. Will, through appropriate sources, seek to identify and develop background information on the following individuals, named as FARRELL's associates in Omaha:

[REDACTED] (phonetic), and [REDACTED] of the Blue Line Transfer.

2. Will conduct investigation regarding the following telephone numbers similar to that requested of the Chicago Division:

AT 1234 on 5/1/58  
AT 3762 on 5/2/58, asked for JOHN HURLEY  
RE 9818 on 4/28/58, asked for GEORGE NAHAS.



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At Ralston, Nebraska:

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Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine ownership and management of the Alsco Nebraska Corporation, 72nd and U Streets; basis for any possible connection between this company and the subject; and the identity of [redacted] parties asked for at this corporation. Will note subject has telephoned this company on 1/22; 2/3,4,8,18,19; 3/12,20/58.

At Des Moines, Iowa:

1. Will obtain background information on [redacted]  
[redacted], and on [redacted]  
Des Moines.
2. Will seek to identify and obtain background information on PHIL GRECO, acquaintance of subject.
3. Will follow and report on subject's alleged interest in the World Wide Distributors, Inc., Des Moines.
4. Will continue efforts to develop informants and sources of information regarding subject's activities and interests.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, OMAHA (Your file 92-74)

DATE: 6/12/58

FROM : Director, FBI

(Bufile and serial 92-3185)

SUBJECT:

LEW FARRELL, WAS.  
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Office of Origin: OMAHA

1. (✓) The deadline in this case has passed and the Bureau has not received a report. You are instructed to submit a report immediately. In the event a report has been submitted, you should make a notation of the date on which it was submitted on this letter and return it to the Bureau, Room No. 4260

Report submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Report will be submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for delay \_\_\_\_\_

Pls. see report of SA

6/3/58 at Omaha

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2. ( ) Advise Bureau re status of this case.
3. ( ) Advise Bureau when report may be expected.
4. (✓) Surep immediately.

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(Place your reply on this form and return to the Bureau. Note on the top serial in the case file the receipt and acknowledgment of this communication.)

SAC, Omaha (92-74)

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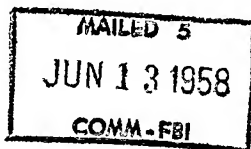
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Reporting Office <b>OMAHA</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>7/18/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>6/9, 16, 17, 19, 27, 29, 30; 7/1, 3, 8-13/58</b>
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Synopsis:

Subpoena served on subject 5/29/58 by U.S. Marshal, Des Moines, Iowa, for appearance before U.S. Senate Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field, no date specified for appearance. Reported in private meeting with Polk County Sheriff  about first of May, 1958. Data re additional long-distance telephone calls set forth. Subject in 6/58 observed in company with and apparently assisting one  Denver, Colo., who was in Des Moines during May and June, 1958, at which time in association with one  Memphis, Tenn., and two other men from Denver.  identified as one of a group headed by a JOHN M. ADDISON, described by Credit Bureau of Denver as a "top confidence man." Additional business connections of subject identified as located Omaha, Nebr., and Chicago, Ill. Subject connected with local production of the All-Star Holiday Revue, performed Des Moines 7/4-5/58. Subject reported to be giving indications of having much money to spend around Des Moines. **CONSIDER SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.**

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DETAILS:

The title of this case is being marked changed to denote the addition of the name LOUIS FARRELL as an alias of subject, which is the name by which subject was referred to in subpoena served on him by the United States Marshal, May 29, 1958, as set forth below.

Lettered and numbered headings and sub-headings in this report as well as captions for various headings follow the same pattern as has been used in previous reports in order to provide a consistent form of reporting in this matter.

All confidential informants referred to in this report have furnished reliable information in the past, with the exception of Confidential Informant Omaha T-2, who has furnished insufficient information by which to judge his reliability.

An article appearing in the Des Moines Register newspaper, issue of May 30, 1958, dateline of Washington, D.C., and under the byline of [redacted] reported that on May 29, 1958, the "Senate rackets committee" had served a subpoena on LEW FARRELL of Des Moines, Iowa. The article stated that no specific date was set for FARRELL's appearance before the committee. This article stated that "it was indicated" that FARRELL would not be called until the committee opens hearings on nationwide links between the underworld and various labor organizations.

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The [redacted] article further stated, "There are numerous aspects to the McCLELLAN committee's interest in FARRELL. They break down in the following categories:

- "1. The extent and pattern of FARRELL's labor consultant operations and the origin of FARRELL's interest in labor...

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- "2. FARRELL's activities in the Omaha - Council Bluffs area, where the McClellan committee is doing extensive work on secondary boycotts involving the trucking industry.
- "3. The 'invasion' of Des Moines by a mysterious Teamster Local 10 of Omaha Neb., which is operated by two friends of FARRELL - RICHARD KAVNER of St. Louis, Mo., and PETE CAPELUP\_ of Omaha.
- "4. The background and extent of the friendship between Teamster boss HOFFA and FARRELL...
- "5. FARRELL's ties with BARNEY BAKER, who served two terms in Sing Sing prison for labor racket activities..."

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Records of the United States Marshal's Office, Des Moines, Iowa, made available June 9, 1958, by Deputy U.S. Marshal [redacted] disclosed their file number 2742 contains a letter dated May 27, 1958, from ROBERT KENNEDY, Chief Counsel, Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field, U.S. Senate, which letter was to the U.S. Marshal, Des Moines, Iowa, and advised that he wished the enclosed subpoena served on LOUIS FARRELL, 1115 Caulder, Des Moines, Iowa. Records further reveal that this subpoena, which was returnable June 30, 1958, in Washington, D.C., was served on FARRELL on May 29, 1958.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-8, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on July 8, 1958, he had been in contact with FARRELL July 7, 1958. T-8 said FARRELL was "anxious" about his subpoena to appear before the McClellan Committee, but did not indicate the basis for his concern or what testimony he expected to give, if any.



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C. ASSOCIATES:

- (1) Association with Polk County Sheriff  
WILBUR HILDRETH:

[redacted] Special Agent, Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigation, State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 1, 1958, advised he had received information from a source he considered reliable that LEW FARRELL, Polk County Sheriff WILBUR HILDRETH, and an unknown individual who was overheard being introduced as from Kansas City, were observed together in a small private room in Rocky's Steak House on Fleur Drive in Des Moines, Iowa, about two months ago. [redacted] stated it was the opinion of his source that these three individuals were having a private meeting at that time.

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[redacted] further advised on July 1, 1958, that he had learned that about three weeks ago FARRELL and three unknown men of Italian appearance, were observed having lunch at the Cloud Room, Des Moines Municipal Airport, following which the three men departed by plane.

- (2) Telephone Calls 1/14/58 to 5/12/58:

Information previously reported set out a list of telephone calls made from subject's residential telephone during a period to include January 14, 1958, to May 12, 1958. Results of investigation pertaining to calls previously listed and not yet reported are set forth below. Listed will be the number called, city where located, identifying information regarding the subscriber and comments regarding subscriber, if pertinent:

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<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	<u>Comments</u>
DE 3-0018	Kansas City Missouri	[REDACTED] Kansas City, Missouri	See Below
WA 7-8773	Minneapolis Minnesota	[REDACTED] South, Minneapolis, Minnesota	See Below
FE 3-9120	Minneapolis Minnesota	Artistic Barber Shop, 2 North 6th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota	See Below
MOH 2392	Buffalo, New York	Central Union Opticians, Inc. 48 West Chippewa Street, Buffalo, New York	See "Associ- ates." under [REDACTED]
ELM 0902	"	[REDACTED] Buffalo, New York	"

Source for information regarding the identity of  
the above-listed telephone numbers is as follows:

Kansas City Number - Kansas City Telephone  
Directory;

Minneapolis Number - Minneapolis Telephone  
Directory;

Buffalo Numbers - Confidential Informant  
Omaha T-1.

In regard to telephone calls referred to above,  
the following is set forth:

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Telephone call to Kansas City Number DE 3-0018, identified as that for subscriber [REDACTED] was made on April 4, 1958. Confidential Informant Omaha T-2 on June 30, 1958, advised that [REDACTED] known as [REDACTED] had been the sweetheart of [REDACTED] for the past [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] years and at this time is his [REDACTED]. T-2 stated [REDACTED] purchased [REDACTED] present home for her and currently pays all her bills and expenses.

Information regarding [REDACTED] has previously been reported.

Telephone call to WA 7-8773, Minneapolis, was made on May 2, 1958; telephone call to FE 3-9120, Minneapolis, was made February 15, 1958. Information regarding [REDACTED] has previously been set forth.

(3) Telephone Calls 5/15/58 to 6/11/58:

Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on July 3, 1958, advised the following telephone calls were billed to Atlantic 2-5937, listed to subject's residence at [REDACTED] Des Moines, Iowa, from May 15, 1958, to June 11, 1958:

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Person Asked for or Identifi- cation of Sub- scriber</u>	<u>Time</u>
5/15/58	Minneapolis	WA7-8773	[REDACTED]	
5/16/58	Omaha	WA 7418	Previously identified as residence of [REDACTED]	
5/20/58	Minneapolis	FE2-8911	[REDACTED] Previously identified as phone for Loring Liquor Store. [REDACTED]	

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Number</u>	Person Asked for or Identifi- cation of Sub- scriber	<u>Time</u>
5/21/58	New York N.Y.	PL1-2156	[REDACTED]	12:18 PM
5/21/58	"	"	"	2:28 PM
5/22/58	Detroit	TR (?) 5-9500		13 minutes
5/30/58	Omaha	HA 0945	Previously identified as the Blackstone Hotel	9:19 AM
5/30/58	Chicago	Oak Park Hospital	[REDACTED] FRATTO	10:07 AM
5/31/58	Omaha	HA 0945	See above	
6/1/58	Omaha	WA 7418	See above	3:30 PM
6/1/58	Omaha	HA 0945	See above	5:03 PM
6/3/58	Omaha (call made by [REDACTED])	AT 3456	JOHN HURLEY, Watson Brothers	
6/4/58	Omaha	HA 6888		
6/5/58	Chicago	SP 4-3090	Previously identified as residence of [REDACTED] subject's brother	7:01 PM
6/5/58	Detroit	Park Shelton Hotel		8:30 PM
6/5/58	Omaha	WA 7418	See above	8:56 PM

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Person Asked for or Identifi- cation of Sub- scriber</u>	<u>Time</u>
6/6/58	Chicago	SP4-3090	See above	7:30 AM
6/6/58	Omaha	WA7418	See above	7:56 AM
6/6/58	Omaha	WA 7418	See above	8:29 AM
6/7/58	Detroit	Park Shelton Hotel		8:53 AM
6/8/58	Detroit	Park Shelton Hotel		6:30 PM
6/11/58	Chicago	SP4-3090	See above	10:01 AM

(4) Associates Background:

Set forth below are names and pertinent background information on persons identified as having some association with subject, who have not previously been reported on under this caption. Source material for this information is either set forth in detail elsewhere in this report or has been furnished as a result of investigation by the Buffalo and St. Louis Offices:

(a) Teamsters Union Associates:

[Redacted]  
St. Louis, Missouri

One [Redacted] as previously reported as a Teamsters Union Official from St. Louis with whom subject had been seen at the Blackstone Hotel in Omaha. Investigation at St. Louis on June 16, 1958, included review of the records of the Commercial Rating Company, which disclosed that [Redacted]

[Redacted], St. Louis, in December, 1952, was employed by Teamsters Local 632. No other information was available.

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(b) Criminal Associates:

[redacted]  
Denver, Colorado

Associated with FARRELL in Des Moines Iowa, in June, 1958. [redacted] apparently one of a group headed by one [redacted] described by Credit Bureau of Denver as a "top confidence man." See [redacted] "Association with [redacted] for further details this report.

~~MATTY~~ BRESCIA  
1235 West Perkins  
Road, Memphis,  
Tennessee

Associated with FARRELL in Des Moines June, 1958. Described FARRELL as his good friend; motel bills paid by [redacted] see above. For further details, see "Association with [redacted] this report.

[redacted]  
Buffalo, New York

Telephone calls were made from subject's residential phone on November 24, 1957, to Buffalo telephone VI 5830, identified as residential phone of [redacted] then residing at [redacted] Kenmore, New York; on January 14, 1958, to MO 2392, Buffalo, identified as telephone for the Central Union Opticians, Inc., 48 West Chippewa Street, Buffalo, person asked for was [redacted] on January 25, 1958, to EL 0902, Buffalo, identified as an unlisted phone for [redacted] then residing at [redacted] Buffalo.

Information developed by investigation in Buffalo, New York, discloses Central Union Opticians was incorporated May 2, 1956,

with owners as [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] Secretary, Local 175, Bartenders Union, AFL, Buffalo, interviewed on June 11, 1958, in Buffalo, advised he has known [redacted] since about May, 1956; when [redacted] came to Buffalo from New York City. He advised [redacted] is a great admirer of JAMES HOFFA and claims to be a personal friend of HOFFA. He stated [redacted] is nervous about something, has a suspicious nature and in his opinion, appears to be on the shady side.

(c) Miscellaneous Associates:

BURTON B. JERRELL  
4100 River Oaks  
Drive, Des Moines,  
Iowa

B. APPROX. 1957

Previously described as friend of FARRELL. Des Moines Credit Bureau records reviewed July 9, 1958, disclose JERRELL owner and manager of Tel-Visual Production since 1944, which company operated out of his home. Moved to Des Moines in 1936 from Oskaloosa, Iowa, 51 years old. He owns five farms in Minnesota. One traffic arrest at Des Moines Police Department; no other arrests Des Moines Police Department or Polk County Sheriff's Office.

PHIL FRANK GRECO  
2906 Southwest 12  
Des Moines, Iowa

1. 00-7-4-11

Previously described as friend of FARRELL. Elsewhere in this report, information set forth that GRECO on June 3, 1958, telephoned JOHN HURLEY, Watson Brothers, Omaha, from FARRELL's residential phone. No credit

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or criminal record, Des Moines. Motor vehicle records describe as white male, born July 4, 1911, 5'8", 200 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, occupation salesman, license dated May 9, 1958.

WILBUR HILDRETH  
Sheriff,  
Polk County,  
Des Moines, Iowa

Reported to have been seen in an apparent private meeting at Rocky's Restaurant, Des Moines, with FARRELL and unknown man, allegedly from Kansas City, approximately first part of May, 1958.

D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES:

Set forth under this caption is information pertaining to subject's association with [ ] of Denver, Colorado. Purpose and nature of activities of [ ] are at this time unknown, but in view of alleged background of [ ] and his reported Colorado companions, this information would appear to belong under this caption at this time:

- (1) Association with [ ] in June, 1958:

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On June 30, 1958, Special Agent [ ] State Bureau of Criminal Investigation, State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, advised he had received information that LEW FARRELL and a [ ] had a mutual interest in some air freight which had been handled in Des Moines by Railway Express.

Chief Clerk [ ] Railway Express Company, 2 - 6th Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, on June 30, 1958, advised that his company had handled freight consigned to one [ ], which freight had arrived in Des Moines on June 24, 1958. He stated driver, [ ] had informed him that LEW FARRELL and [ ] had been at the Railway Express air freight desk located at the Des Moines



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Municipal Airport on June 23, 1958, at which time they were inquiring for some air freight they were expecting from Terre Haute, Indiana.

[ ] stated that on June 24, 1958, a man who identified himself as [ ] and another man, name unknown, had come into the Railway Express Office and inquired for freight consigned to [ ]. He stated [ ] had informed him that the freight should have arrived in Des Moines and requested that [ ] call Railway Express in Terre Haute at [ ] expense to inquire regarding this freight. [ ] informed [ ] that the freight was being shipped by a [ ].

[ ] advised he had telephoned the Railway Express Office in Terre Haute, Indiana, and had been informed the freight had arrived there, but was being held by Transworld Airlines inasmuch as \$17.00 was due and unpaid. [ ] instructed [ ] to have the freight shipped out with the \$17.00 added to his charges due in Des Moines and requested the freight be shipped out that day. [ ] stated this was done and the freight arrived in Des Moines on the evening of June 24, 1958, via United Air Lines.

[ ] made available a photostat of receipt number 40-65-31 dated June 24, 1958, which discloses three cartons, total weight of 171 pounds, was shipped to [ ] at Des Moines, Iowa, by a [ ]. The receipt bears the signature of [ ].

[ ] stated it appeared from information available to him that the three cartons had been shipped into [ ] from an unknown point of origin and an unknown shipper and had not been handled by [ ] but had been trans-shipped on to [ ] at Des Moines, Iowa.

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[ ] Driver Railway Express Company, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 10, 1958, advised he recalled LEW FARRELL, a man who gave his name as [ ] and two other men, names unknown, calling at the airport desk of the Railway Express Company and asking about some air freight due in from Terre Haute, Indiana. He stated he does not recall the date this occurred, but that it happened the day before he saw [ ] and another man in the Railway Express Office talking to [ ] Chief Clerk, about that same shipment.

[ ] stated it was also his recollection that later in that same week, he had seen FARRELL at the airport seeing one of these men, not [ ] off on a flight south, either to St. Louis or Kansas City.

[ ] stated the freight from Terre Haute had been delivered by driver [ ].

[ ] Des Moines, Iowa, on July 10, 1958, advised he is a driver for Railway Express and had turned the shipment from Terre Haute over to [ ] LEW FARRELL, and one other man. He stated the evening the shipment arrived, [ ] had called to inquire if it was in and was informed by [ ] that it was. [ ] had offered to deliver the freight but [ ] said that he was at Rocky's Steak House and would be right up to get it and that shortly thereafter, [ ] FARRELL and the other man had appeared at the airport terminal, paid for the freight, and taken possession of it.

[ ] stated the freight consisted of three pressed cardboard one-drawer filing cabinets, which were bound in metal frames and tied together with clothesline type rope. He said the top of one of the cabinets was worn through and he could see into the interior and noted that it contained what appeared to be a series of cardboard type brief cases.

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[ ] advised [ ] had exhibited a great deal of identification, most of which indicated [ ] was connected with various mining companies in Denver, Colorado. He further advised that [ ] had left a telephone number at the airport desk where he could be reached in the event the shipment arrived. He said [ ] had left the telephone number and stated he could be reached in room number 5. [ ] stated he had later called the number and determined it to be the number of the Rambler Motel.

[ ] described [ ] as white male, [ ] pounds, light brown hair, in [ ] complexion, [ ]. He described the other man with [ ] and FARRELL as white male, 50, 5'9", 150 pounds, black hair slicked back, dark complexion, of possibly Italian descent.

At the Rambler Motel, 2701 Southeast 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, [ ] made available records of that motel and explained them as follows:

[ ] about [ ], and son about [ ], stayed at that motel from May 28, 1958, to June 13, 1958. [ ] his wife and daughter, stayed there again from June 22, 1958, to June 26, 1958. During their first period of residence, they stayed in room [ ] [ ] registered as being from [ ] Denver, Colorado. He was driving a 1951 [ ] bearing Texas license plates [ ]

One MATTY BRESCIA, 1235 West Perkins Road, Memphis, Tennessee, was in room 15, from June 23, 1958, to June 26, 1958. His bill was charged to [ ]

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A [redacted]  
Street, Denver, Colorado, stayed in room [redacted]  
from June 7, 1958, to June 12, 1958. Their  
bill was charged to [redacted]  
had a Cadillac, license unknown.

[redacted] Rambler Motel, Des Moines,  
Iowa, advised on July 10, 1958, he had observed  
the above-named individuals in that motel  
during the period they stayed there. He stated  
it was his understanding from comments made  
by these various people that [redacted] was in  
Des Moines in connection with some trial; that  
[redacted] worked for [redacted] and that  
the Cadillac they drove was the property of  
[redacted] that BRESCIA was connected with some  
newspaper in Memphis, Tennessee.

[redacted] advised that on about the last day the  
[redacted] and BRESCIA were in the motel, or on  
about June 26, 1958, several small children  
showed up and used the BRESCIA room in which  
to change into swimming suits and then began  
using the motel swimming pool. [redacted] stated  
he informed BRESCIA this was not allowed,  
that only guests of the motel could use the  
pool and that BRESCIA had informed him that  
these were the children of LEW FARRELL and that  
he, BRESCIA, was a good friend of FARRELL. [redacted]  
stated he had enforced the rule and had informed  
BRESCIA he did not care whose friend he was,  
the motel rules were going to be enforced.

[redacted] stated that no hard feeling resulted  
and that when the [redacted] and BRESCIA checked  
out, they had complimented him on the motel.  
He said it was also his understanding that  
[redacted] and had used it in  
Des Moines during his stay in the city.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-9 made available  
motel records disclosing telephone calls made from  
the various rooms referred to above, which records  
disclose the following calls to have been made:

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City and Number</u>	<u>Person Called</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Price</u>
1.	From Room 22			
5/28/58	Albuquerque New Mexico		3 min.	\$1.95
5/29/58	Denver, Colorado DU 8-2471		12 min.	5.55
5/29/58	Dallas, Texas		15 min.	5.25
6/4/58	Alice, Texas		2 min.	2.40
6/5/58	Sanant, Texas		7 min.	3.35
?	Maliborne, Florida		3 min.	2.65
?	"		5 min.	3.65
?	Texas		16 min.	7.35
?	San Antonio Texas		17 min.	6.85
?	Salt Lake City, Utah		21 min.	8.35
6/9/58	Des Moines AT 8-2213	Lawyer, Lawyer and Ray, Attorneys, 427 Fleming Building**		
6/9/58	Des Moines BL 5-1161	Drake University **		
	Des Moines BL 5-1161	Drake University		
	Des Moines CH 4-1112	Younker Brothers Department Store **		

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City and Number</u>	<u>Person Called</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Price</u>
	Des Moines CH 4-1112	Yunker Brothers Department Store		
	"	"		
	Des Moines AT 8-1927	Service Photoprint, blue prints, [redacted] 3rd Floor, Garver Building **		
	Glenwood Springs, Colorado, person to person			
	Salt Lake City, Utah		1 min.	\$2.40
	New Mexico		1 min.	2.25.
6/9/58	Des Moines CR 9-0291	[redacted] Executive Director, Goodwill Industries, Residence 557 Country Club Lane**		
6/10/58	Denver, Colorado, GE 3-0420			
6/10/58	San Antonio, Texas, PE 5-2441		5 min.	2.65
6/11/58	Des Moines CH 4-5104	[redacted] 616 Bankers Trust Building **		
6/11/58	Des Moines CH 3-5211	Union Bus Station**		
6/11/58	Des Moines CH 4-5104	[redacted] see above		

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City and Number</u>	<u>Person Called</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Price</u>
?	Des Moines CH 4-7173	Santa Fe Railroad 601 Equitable Building **		
?	Des Moines CH 4-5104	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; display: inline-block;"></div> see above		
?	"	"		

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2. From Room Number 5:

?	Des Moines AT 8-2213	Lawyer, Lawyer and Ray, Attorneys, 427 Fleming Building**		
?	Des Moines AT 8-6710	Kraft Foods, 212 12th Street *		
?	Des Moines CH 3-0711	Braniff Airways **		
6/23/58	Meridian, Texas		?	\$3.60
	Des Moines AT 8-6710	Kraft Foods see above		
	Des Moines CH 3-0711	Braniff Airways **		
	Des Moines CH 3-3032	Night number, Railway Express *		
6/24/58	Des Moines AT 1-2337	No such number		
6/24/58	Des Moines CH 4-2151	Savery Hotel **		
6/25/58	Springfield Missouri UN (?) 6-0822		30 min.	8.15

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<u>Date</u>	<u>City and Number</u>	<u>Person Called</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Price</u>
?	Des Moines CH 4-1112	Yunker Brothers**		
?	Des Moines AT 2-5937	LEW FARRELL, 1115 Caulder **		
?	Des Moines CH 4-1112	Yunker Brothers **		
?	Des Moines AT 2-5937	LEW FARRELL**		
?	Des Moines AT 2-5937	LEW FARRELL**		
?	Memphis, Tennessee		?	\$5.80
?	San Antonio, Texas, P_ 5-2441		9 min.	4.30
?	Des Moines CH 4-2151	Savery Hotel**		
?	Des Moines AT 2-5897	Lincoln Delicatessen 2824 SW 9th.*		
?	Springfield Missouri UN 6-0822		5 min.	1.50
?	Springfield Missouri			4.00

3. From Room Number 8:

6/7/58 Denver,  
Colorado, GE 3-0420  
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<u>Date</u>	<u>City and Number</u>	<u>Person Called</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Price</u>
	Des Moines CH 3-8147	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> Attorney, <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> Des Moines Building**		
	Des Moines AT 8-2213	Lawyer, Laywer and Ray see above		

4. From Room Number 15:

6/24/58	Des Moines CR 2-1982	No such number		
6/25/58	Des Moines AT 2-5937	LEW FARRELL		
6/25/58	Chicago, Illinois	Drake Hotel, <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> (?)		
6/25/58	Des Moines AT 2-5937	LEW FARRELL		
6/25/58	Des Moines AT 8-1942	Winterseal of Iowa, 1811 South Union *		
6/25/58	Des Moines CH 4-6259	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> Advertising Agency, 320 Capital City Building *		
6/26/58	Memphis, Tennessee		2 min.	\$1.75

Telephone number identifications marked with a single asterisk were identified by Confidential Informant Omaha T-3 on July 11, 1958. Those marked with a double asterisk were identified by examination of the City Telephone Directory and City Directory of Des Moines, Iowa.

[ ] previously mentioned, advised he recalled that on June 12, 1958, or possibly June 13, 1958, [ ] had received an [ ] Western Union Money Order which he had used as his source of money to pay his motel bill. [ ] said he recalled [ ] cautioning him not to advise anyone that he had paid his bill. He said [ ] said something about he was here for a trial and he did not want anyone to know he had paid his bill.

[ ] provided the following descriptions:

1. [ ] white male, late [ ]s, [ ] pounds.  
[ ]
2. MATTY BRESCIA: white male, 55, 5'10", 190 pounds, dark hair and complexion, connected with newspaper, had no car, recalled arrived in Des Moines by airplane.
3. OSBORN and GROOM: middle 20's, about 6'.

On July 1, 1958, Special Agent [ ] [ ] State Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Iowa Attorney General's Office, Des Moines, Iowa, advised he had heard from Special Agent LEONARD MURRAY of that organization that FARRELL was involved with one [ ] on a shipment of freight in which a Dr. OLSON was also involved. [ ] advised that in connection with some special election law work he had been doing for the Iowa Attorney General's Office, he had had occasion to interview one [ ] now a prisoner at the Iowa State Penitentiary, Fort Madison, Iowa, and that prior to interviewing [ ] he had reviewed the trial transcript of the case which resulted in [ ] being convicted. He stated he recalled that a [ ] and a Dr.

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[ ] were involved in that case; that he did not know whether they were the same individuals, but was providing the information for what it was worth.

On July 1, 1958, the records of the Attorney General, State of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa, were reviewed in connection with [ ]

[ ] These files revealed that [ ] a chiropractor, was indicted on April 22, 1957, in Polk County, Iowa, on a charge of receiving stolen property and that he was found guilty and on June 10, 1957, was sentenced to five years in the state penitentiary. The matter was appealed and on February 11, 1958, the Supreme Court of Iowa affirmed the decision. A review of the transcript of the trial revealed the following pertinent information:

Witnesses for [ ] were [ ] his sister, a [ ] her husband, and [ ] These three individuals were identified as residents of Denver, Colorado with the first two as chiropractors and [ ] as a director with Trans-World Mining Corporation. [ ] also testified that he had resided in Des Moines for eight years, at which time he worked for the Western Mutual Insurance Company.

In view of information set forth above that [ ] had been a Des Moines resident, inquiry was made on July 10, 1958, of the Des Moines Credit Bureau. Mr. T. J. DRISCOLL, Collection Manager, Des Moines Credit Bureau, on July 10, 1958, made available a form notice from the Credit Bureau of Greater Denver, which notice was undated, but which was attached to a letter dated July 1, 1958, to [ ] Des Moines Credit Bureau.

The form notice referred to recommended lookout cards on the following individuals:

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JOHN M. ADDISON (or MILTON J.)  
[redacted] brother)  
[redacted] (brother-in-law)  
[redacted] (sister)

The notice further advised that Denver addresses used in the past were: [redacted]

[redacted].  
Notice further stated that business connections used in the past were: [redacted]  
Association; [redacted] Pure Company; Trans-World Mining Company; [redacted] Drilling Company.

The notice continued, "They may use most any city in Colorado or New Mexico. We know the doctors have been fronting for JOHN ADDISON on credit deals. JOHN is under indictment in Texas and has many bad accounts in Colorado. JOHN also has 21 million in suits against him. He is short and stocky and looks like a former golden glover boxer, which he is. Usually has a body guard. Dresses well. Flies a new plane which is well equipped. He has a long police record. He is a top confidence man. We are reliably informed JOHN ADDISON has done some work in Miami. He is using trade name of 'Murchison Ventures' now or did there."

The letter of July 1, 1958, referred to above, is signed [redacted], and states, "This is same group that were in the Wilma Dean Ramsey deal in the Phillips office and also Standard Oil of Indiana in your city.. [redacted] has nothing and owes a lot of money."

DRISCOLL advised he did not know background of this matter and that for further information, inquiry would have to be made of [redacted] of that bureau, who was unavailable for interview until July 21, 1958.

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[redacted] Des Moines Credit Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 11, 1958, advised records there pertaining to [redacted] in file since 1953, disclosed her present address to be [redacted] Denver, Colorado. She stated records reveal [redacted] resided at [redacted] Des Moines, until sometime in 1957, that she had been employed by the Western Mutual Insurance Company, Des Moines, from April, 1949, to January 30, 1957, when she resigned. She was described as age [redacted] and single.

It will be noted [redacted] address in Denver is similar to those provided by the Credit Bureau of Denver for the JOHN ADDISON group; further, that [redacted] testified that he had worked at one time for the Western Mutual Insurance Company.

(2) Traffic Violation 6/15/58:

Des Moines Register newspaper, issue of June 16, 1958, carried an article reporting that subject had been issued two traffic summonses June 15, 1958, when the car he was driving collided with a parked car, which in turn was pushed into the car of Patrolman CHARLES JORDAN, Des Moines Police Department, who was off duty at the time. The accident reportedly occurred on High Street, near Seventh Street. Summonses issued were for failure to have car under control and for failure to leave his name and address at the scene. [redacted] reported that FARRELL left the scene after the accident, but did return later.

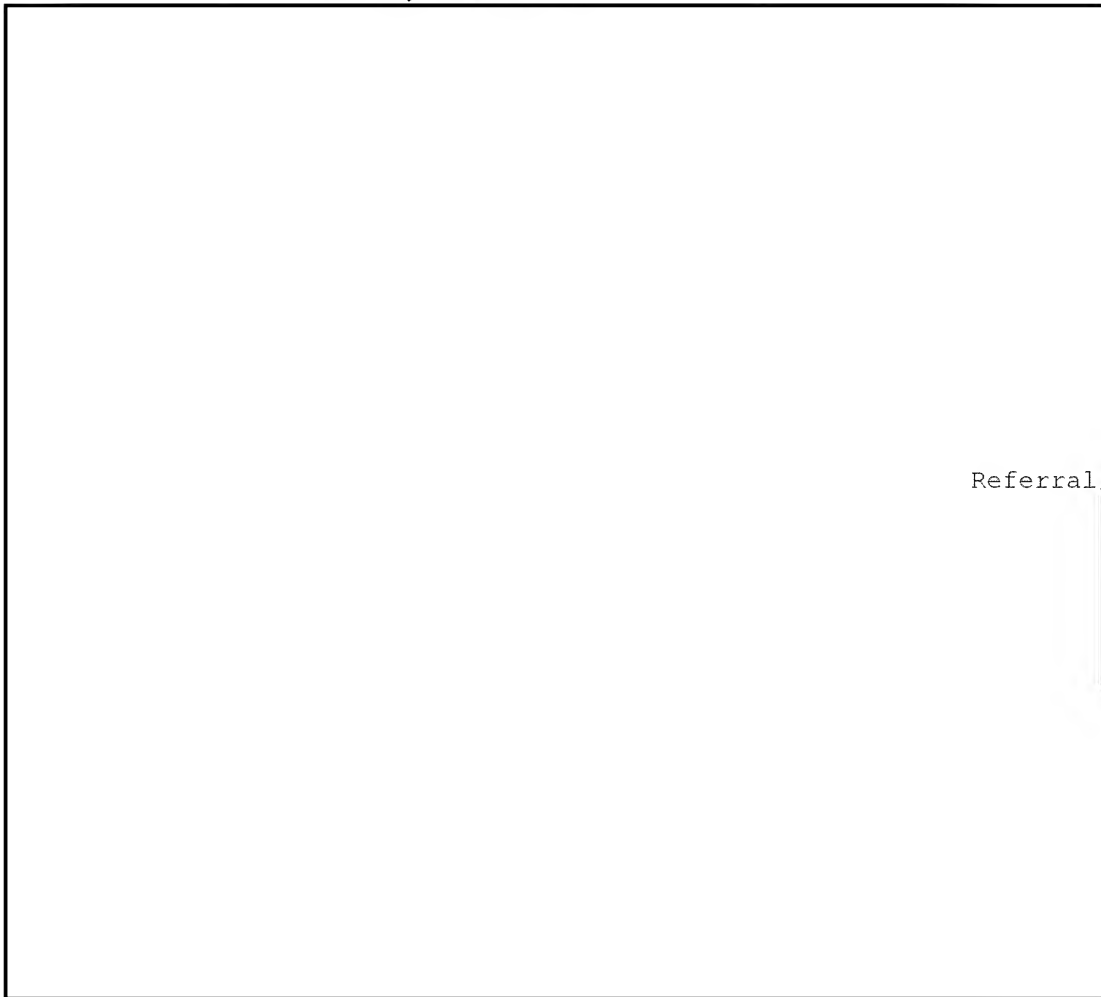
An article appearing in the Des Moines Register, issue of July 9, 1958, reported that subject was found innocent of two charges growing out of an auto accident on June 15, 1958. Testimony was provided by police officers EDWARD CROZIER and RICHARD CARLSON, who testified that FARRELL had informed them he had swerved his car to avoid hitting a dog, thus causing the accident; further, that

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FARRELL had informed them that he had left the scene momentarily so that he could telephone an attorney. The article reported that FARRELL did not testify.

E. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES:

- (1) Cornhusker Construction Company  
Omaha, Nebraska



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(4) Standard Club



Referral/Consult

(5) All-Star Holiday Revue  
Des Moines, Iowa, 7/4-5/58

Information set forth below indicates subject had some connection with an "All-Star Holiday Revue" which performed July 4 and 5, 1958, at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium, Des Moines, Iowa.

A news article appearing in the Des Moines Register newspaper, issue of July 5, 1958, reported on the performance of this revue, stating that among the performers were FRAN WARREN, JACK BARRY, Everly Brothers, SHEP FIELDS and his orchestra, and others. The article further identified the producer of the show as one JERRY JORDAN. According to the article, "twenty-five per cent of the proceeds are earmarked for the City of Hope Medical Center, a free, non-sectarian center for treatment of... diseases, and for research..."

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As set forth elsewhere in this report, two telephone calls were made from subject's residence on May 21, 1958, to New York telephone PL 1-2156, at which time the person asked for was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] driver for Railway Express Company, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 10, 1958, advised he had delivered a C.O.D. package on about June 23, 1958, to one [REDACTED] who was staying at the Savery Hotel, Des Moines. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] was accompanied by LEW FARRELL at the time the package was delivered. He advised [REDACTED] had informed him he was unable at that time to produce sufficient money to claim

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the package and had offered [ ] tickets to the All-Star Holiday Revue in lieu of cash, which offer [ ] refused.

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[ ] Senior Agent, United Air Lines, Municipal Airport, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 10, 1958, advised he had observed FARRELL at the Des Moines Airport on Sunday, July 6, 1958, at which time FARRELL was waving good-bye to [ ] and other stage performers who were departing Des Moines by air that morning.

(6) Examination of Bank Records

Confidential Informant Omaha T-7 on June 17, 1958, advised subject's checking account at the Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, Iowa, as of the end of May, 1958, carried a balance of \$46.00. T-7 stated that as of June 17, 1958, subject's account had a balance of \$249.16 and had received deposits as follows:

On June 4, 1958, a deposit of \$200.00 in cash;

On June 11, 1958, \$100.00 in cash and \$190.00 in form of a check.

T-7 on June 18, 1958, advised this check had been identified as having been drawn on the account of the South Des Moines Little League at the Capital City Bank, Des Moines, Iowa.

Confidential Informant Omaha T-7 on July 11, 1958, advised subject's checking account at the Bankers Trust Company had been closed by the bank on June 18, 1958, on which date a Deputy Sheriff from the Polk County Sheriff's Office had served the Bankers Trust Company with an order which placed a garnishment on subject's account. T-7 stated this order had seized \$224.16, which had then been in subject's account.



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Mr. ROY W. MEADOWS, former FBI Agent, and now an attorney for the firm of Whitfield, Musgrave, Selvy, Fillmore, and Kelly, 616 Insurance Exchange Building, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 11, 1958, advised his firm was responsible for the garnishment of subject's account at the Bankers Trust Company. He stated this process was an attempt by his firm to collect on a judgment against FARRELL for \$400.00, which was filed against FARRELL on November 6, 1957. He stated this judgment arose out of FARRELL's association with the Complete Home Remodeling Service.

MEADOWS advised FARRELL had telephonically contacted [redacted] Partner of his firm, in regard to the garnishment, and had cursed [redacted] for this action. MEADOWS stated he would advise of any pertinent information which might develop in connection with this matter.

F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS:

As set forth elsewhere in this report, subject has been reported with various associates at Rocky's Steak House, located at Fleur Drive and Stanton Streets, Des Moines, Iowa, and also in the terminal building, Municipal Airport, Des Moines, Iowa.

G. TRAVEL:

[redacted] Avis-Ruan Car-Truck Rental, Municipal Airport, Des Moines, Iowa, on July 10, 1958, advised subject rented a car from the airport office at 4:23 p.m., June 27, 1958. He stated subject commented that he was renting a car for someone else, at which time [redacted] pointed out that subject's name was being recorded as the driver of the rental car and that no one but subject should drive the car. He stated FARRELL had then replied that he would loan his personal car to this other person and he, in turn, would drive the rental car. [redacted] stated the car was turned in on the morning of June 28, 1958, at which time it was disclosed that the car had been driven 71 miles.

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[ ] also advised that FARRELL maintains a charge account with the Ruan Taxicab Company and that additional information might be obtained regarding subject's use of rental cars or taxicabs by inquiry of [ ] Ruan Company at Southwest 6th Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES:

[ ] former city attorney, City of Des Moines, residing at [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, on July 11, 1958, advised SA [ ] he had heard considerable talk around town as to the amount of money being spent by LEW FARRELL. He stated from what he had heard, FARRELL makes a point of picking up every check for drinks or dinner and seems to be very flush in the amount of money he spends. [ ] stated everyone seems to wonder as to the source of FARRELL's income since he has no apparent source of income.

I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Pertinent information to supplement data previously set forth under this caption is the fact that subject's Social Security Number is 482-40-3723, as furnished by Confidential Informant Omaha T-5.

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INFORMANTS:

T-1 is [redacted] to the District Plant Supervisor, New York Telephone Company, Buffalo, New York, as set forth in Buffalo letter to Omaha 6/16/58.

T-2 is Kansas City PCI [redacted] interviewed by SA DON W. WALTERS, as set forth in Kansas City airtel 7/1/58.

T-3 is [redacted] Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [redacted]

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T-7 is [redacted] Bankers Trust Company, Des Moines, Iowa, interviewed by SA [redacted]

T-8 is PCI [redacted] Omaha, contacted by SA [redacted] 7/8/58.

T-9 is [redacted] Rambler Motel, Des Moines, Iowa, contacted 7/10/58 by S [redacted]

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3185) DATE: 7/18/58  
FROM: SAC, OMAHA (92-74)  
RE: LEW FARRELL, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING  
OO: OMAHA

Enclosed is Omaha report of SA [redacted]  
[redacted] dated 7/18/58.

REFERENCES:

Omaha report of SA [redacted] dated 6/3/58  
Buffalo letters to Omaha 6/4/58 and 6/16/58  
Bureau letter 6/13/58  
Minneapolis airtel 6/25/58  
St. Louis letter 6/27/58  
Kansas City airtel 7/1/58  
Omaha airtel to Denver 7/12/58

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Re Omaha airtels furnished brief summary of subject's background and of association with [redacted] and his companions in Des Moines, Iowa, in June, 1958, and set forth investigative leads. Copy of airtel sent to Miami in view of information that one JOHN ADDISON, described as a "top confidence man" had been operating in Miami area.

Lead is not being set forth for New York Division to make inquiry concerning subject's telephone calls to New York on 5/21/58 inasmuch as the [redacted] asked for in the telephone calls is apparently identical to producer of the All-Star Revue referred to in enclosed report.

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- 2 - Denver (Encls. 2)
- 2 - Chicago (92-437) (Encls. 2)
- 2 - Memphis (Encls. 2)
- 2 - Detroit (92-314) (Encls. 2)
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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE:

PCIs [redacted] who have previously furnished information, were either unavailable for contact during the period covered or were unable to furnish any additional information at this time regarding subject. [redacted] has advised that he anticipates being in contact with subject during the remaining period of the summer of 1958 and will report results as soon as possible. [redacted] has been on an extended vacation trip and has no contact with subject. PCI [redacted] will continue to furnish information of value as a result of contacts with FARRELL.

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[redacted] Avis Car Rental Office, Des Moines Municipal Airport, Des Moines, Iowa, is being developed as a source of information for subject's activities and contacts at the Des Moines Airport. [redacted] desk occupies a prominent spot in the lobby of the terminal building and he will report on subject's activities in that area.

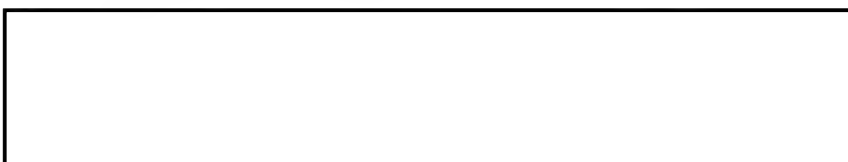
[redacted] Des Moines Iowa, under development as a PCI, has been unavailable for contact. [redacted] previously referred to under this caption, died suddenly in June, 1958. [redacted] also previously referred to under this caption, has been out of the city and unavailable for contact.

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LEADS:

CHICAGO: At Chicago, Illinois:

1. Will cover leads set forth in Omaha reports of 4/7/58 and 6/3/58.



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DENVER: At Denver, Colorado:

1. Will develop information re criminal activities, criminal record and associates of [redacted] Denver, and of [redacted] of the same address.

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2. In view of information set forth in enclosed report re apparent activities of group headed by JOHN M. ADDISON and including [redacted] will develop and report summary of information regarding these individuals, which information caused Credit Bureau of Denver to refer to ADDISON as a "top confidence man."

3. Will consider possibility this group and subject are involved in activities in violation of laws within jurisdiction of the FBI.

MEMPHIS: At Memphis, Tennessee:

Will develop information regarding MATTY BRESCIA, 1235 West Perkins Road, Memphis, including criminal background, present occupation, and possible reasons for appearance in Des Moines in June, 1958.

DETROIT: At Detroit, Michigan:

1. Will ascertain the subscriber to the following telephone number, to which a long distance call was directed from subject's residential telephone. Will contact appropriate sources for background of subscriber and will attempt to determine connection with subject:

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TR (?) 5-9500 call made on 5/22/58 and lasted 13 minutes.

2. Will note telephone calls made from subject's residence to the Park Shelton Hotel, Detroit, as follows:

6/5/58 at 8:30 p.m.  
6/7/58 at 8:53 a.m.  
6/8/58 at 6:30 p.m.

3. Will consider possibility of determining identity of person being called by subject.

OMAHA: At Omaha, Nebraska:

1. Will ascertain the subscriber to the following telephone numbers, to which long distance calls were directed from subject's residential telephone. Will contact appropriate sources for background of subscriber and person asked for, and will attempt to determine connection with subject:

AT 3456 on 6/3/58 - call by PHIL GRECO to [redacted]

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HA 6888 on 6/4/58

2. Will make appropriate inquiry regarding the Cornhusker Construction Company to determine financial structure, administrative organization, business activities and background of officers and backers.

3. Will attempt to develop information re subject's alleged activities in the Omaha - Council Bluffs area in regard to secondary boycotts in the trucking industry, per news article appearing in Des Moines Register 5/30/58.

4. Will contact [redacted] for specific information re his knowledge of subject's activities and associations, both past and present.

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At Des Moines, Iowa:

1. Will attempt develop additional information regarding subject's association with Sheriff WILBUR HILDRETH.
2. Will interview [ ] Des Moines Credit Bureau, for reasons for that organization's interest in [ ] and for explanation of reference in file to the "Wilma Dean Ramsey deal."
3. Will develop information on the Standard Club and subject's connection therewith.
4. Will attempt to develop additional pertinent information re subject's connection with the All-Star Holiday Revue.
5. Will interview [ ] Ruan Cab Company, Des Moines, for information re subject's use of that company's cabs and rental cars.
6. Will maintain contact with attorney [ ] [ ] for information re subject's contacts with that law firm.
7. Will withhold investigation of individuals identified as telephone contacts and determination of subscribers to telephones called long distance by [ ] and associates, pending receipt of information from Denver Division.
8. Will continue efforts to develop informants and sources of information regarding subject's current activities and interests.

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URGENT 8-18-58 8-37 PM CST RLB  
TO DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE  
FROM SAC OMAHA 1 P

LEW FARRELL, WAS., ANTI-RACKETEERING. SUBJECT IS OMAHA TOP HOODLUM.  
SUBJECT DEPARTS DES MOINES, IOWA, VIA UAL FLIGHT NO. TWO TEN AT TWO  
FIFTEEN PM, AUGUST NINETEEN NEXT, ENROUTE WASHINGTON DC. SUBJECT  
TRANSFERS TO UAL FLIGHT NO. SEVEN FORTY DEPARTING CHICAGO SIX TEN PM  
ARRIVES WASHINGTON DC NINE TWENTYFIVE PM, YOUR TIME. SUBJECT IS WHITE,  
MALE, FIFTYONE, FIVE FT. THREE INCHES, ONE EIGHTY LBS., GRAY HAIR, DARK  
COMPLEXION, WEARS GLASSES WITH HEAVY BLACK RIMS, WELL DRESSED, SMOKES  
CIGARS. REQUEST WFO COVER ACTIVITIES YOUR AREA AND REPORT. PHOTO  
BEING FURNISHED WFO BY AMSD.

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Mr. Rosen  
CC: MR. ROSEN  
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND AXXXSAC, WASHINGTON FIELD  
FROM SAC, OMAHA 1 P

LEW FARRELL, WAS., AR. SUBJECT DEPARTED DES MOINES, IOWA,  
VIA UNITED AIRLINES TWO FORTYFIVE P.M. THIS DATE. SCHEDULED  
TO ARRIVE WASHINGTON, D.C., ON UAL FLIGHT SEVEN FOUR ZERO AT  
NINE TWENTYFIVE P.M. EDT. IN VIEW PROSPECT OF SUBJECT  
TESTIFYING BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE THIS WEEK, SUBMISSION  
ON NEXT REPORT ON FARRELL WILL BE DELAYED TO INCLUDE RESULTS  
OF HIS APPEARANCE BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE, UACB.  
END ACK PLS

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>CINCINNATI</b>	Office of Origin <b>OMAHA</b>	Date <b>9/11/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>8/15/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEW FARRELL, Was.</b>		Report made by [REDACTED]	Typed By: <b>jas</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] Medway, Ohio, advised they met [REDACTED] at Rambler Motel, Des Moines, Iowa, in June, 1958, were casual acquaintances and know nothing of [REDACTED] background or associates. SUBJECT ALLEGED TO HAVE DISPLAYED REVOLVER AND MADE THREATS IN EFFORT TO COLLECT MONEY IN 1942; THEREFORE, CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

AT MEDWAY, OHIO

On August 15, 1958, [REDACTED] Medway, Ohio, advised SA [REDACTED] that they had met [REDACTED] and his family at the Rambler Motel in Des Moines, Iowa, in June of 1958. They stated [REDACTED] the Motel from about [REDACTED] to approximately [REDACTED] and knew the [REDACTED] during that period of time.

[REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] did not speak of

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himself very often, and since they were only casual acquaintances of the [redacted] they did not attempt to pry into the background of the [redacted] [redacted] had stated he was employed in some type of mining venture, and believed the company was called the Trans-World Mining Company. The [redacted] stated they had never heard [redacted] mention LEW FARRELL and the name was not familiar to them.

[redacted] stated the [redacted], Colorado, and their address was [redacted]. They stated they had also given them the addresses of [redacted] Denver, Colorado, and also [redacted] California.

Concerning the associates of [redacted] the [redacted] stated they had met a man by the name of [redacted] who was an associate of [redacted]. They stated they also met an [redacted] in [redacted] company by the name of [redacted] last name not known. They also stated they met a man by the name of [redacted] who was a [redacted]. His address was [redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. [redacted] stated [redacted] has an [redacted] and the [redacted] is named [redacted] last name not known.

[redacted] stated the [redacted] family consisted of [redacted]. They stated [redacted] was visiting in [redacted] with them at the time and was leaving on [redacted] 1958. They stated [redacted] was to pick up [redacted] at [redacted] Ohio, and were then going to some place in Wisconsin to pick up three other men, names not known.

[redacted] stated the only thing [redacted] had mentioned about himself that they could recall, was the fact that he was in Iowa due to some type of court case and the court was to give some type of decision and he was in Iowa for the court decision. They did not have any further information concerning this court trial.

[redacted] made available [redacted] photographs of [redacted] which have been forwarded to the Mechanical Section of the FBI to be copied.

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